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## HUGE TREASURY LOSSES.

### STOLEN CHEQUES CASHED.

### POLICE RAID ON BOGUS OFFICES.

### OFFICIAL RETICENCE.

Although there is still a great deal of "mystery" attaching to the report, which became known late yesterday afternoon, that the Hongkong Government Treasury has been defrauded of a sum in the region of \$260,000, it is now definitely established that the fraud has taken place and that a large sum of money has been secured by the perpetrators.

The authorities and officials of whom we have sought detailed information are extremely secretive, the matter still being considered to be in the investigation stage.

We have, however, been able to establish certain broad facts, which appear to be as follows:

Three cheques, (one for about \$87,000, and two for about \$90,000 each) have, by means of a conspiracy and possibly also by the forgery of certain signatures, been cashed against the Government. It is obvious, from the method adopted that the perpetrators were extremely intimate with the procedure obtaining in the Treasury Department.

#### Cheques Stolen.

It is known that certain cheques were stolen from a large book of Government cheques by means of the book being unbound and then rebound after the cheques had been abstracted. The writing on a cheque was either the writing of a certain Chinese clerk in the Treasury Department or else a clever forgery of his writing; and the signatures were also either the signatures of the Hon. Mr. C. M. Messer (the Colonial Treasurer) and Mr. T. Black, (Accountant in the Department) or else clever forgeries thereof. We have been unable to discover whether the cheques were actually signed by the two officials named, in the belief that they were genuine, or whether the signatures were forged. Official reticence has been strict on that point.

These three cheques (drawn on the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation) were, however, presented to the Equitable Eastern Banking Corporation, the Nederlandsche Handel Maatschappij, (Netherlands Trading Society) and the Indosuez Banking Corporation, the conspiracy not being discovered until, after the cheques had been returned for accountancy purposes.

#### Raid on Bogus Offices.

The cheques were drawn payable to certain firms to whom payments under Government contracts were due at the beginning of a new year, and in consequence of what the police discovered on being informed of the occurrence, a raid was carried out on certain offices on the fifth floor of China Building last evening. Signboards outside these bore the names "Min Tak," "Man Lee," and "Katz and Co.," which are the names on the cheques concerned. From what they found, the police believe these particular offices were bogus, being almost devoid of any office equipment. The rooms had apparently been taken solely for the purpose of the conspiracy. There were no persons on the premises at the time, and no arrests were made.

#### Clerks Detained.

The police are still conducting enquiries and have detained for examination two Chinese clerks employed in the Treasury.

No official statement on the matter has yet been made, and a report of the affair appearing in a local vernacular newspaper has been considerably censored.

## SEARCH FOR ELLIS MURDERER.

### SENSATIONAL INDIAN CRIME RECALLED.

### FRONTIER ROUND-UP.

Peshawar, Jan. 19.

The frontier constabulary have carried out an extensive round-up of the leading Orakzai clans for their refusal to surrender Sultan Mir, the notorious outlaw, who was concerned with the murder of Mrs. Ellis and the kidnapping of her daughter some years ago.

An agreement was made in 1923, under which the tribes of Tirah were pledged not to allow any member of the gang concerned in the sensational Ellis case to enter their territory, or, if they did, to surrender them to the British authorities.

Sultan Mir, whose son Gulak Bar was arrested and executed at Peshawar in 1927, is believed to be living in the Orakzai country under the patronage of the influential Mullah Mahmud Akhundzada, who has recently been the cause of a good deal of restlessness on the part of the Orakzai clans.—*Reuter.*

### GERMAN BUDGET OF ECONOMIES.

### OPTIMISM MARKS FINANCE MINISTER'S SPEECH.

Berlin, Jan. 19.

Optimism characterised the speech at the Reichstag of the Minister of Finance, Herr Koehler, in dealing with the Budget for 1928.

He pointed out that the revival of industry and trade had continued throughout 1927, with the result that a Budget surplus of up to 180,000,000 marks was available.

As regards 1928, the Minister remarked that a new phase of the German financial policy had begun in consequence of the provision which must be made for the normal payments to be made under the Dawes Plan. As the result of the increased payments, the Budget could be described as "a budget of economies."

—*Reuter.*

### PERSIAN REVOLT EXTENDING.

### PLEA FOR REINFORCEMENTS FROM TEHRAN.

Basra, Jan. 19.

The Khuzistan revolt is spreading rapidly along the Persian border in the vicinity of Shattalarab. The insurgents were engaged with the military on Tuesday and over sixty were killed, but it was thought that a strong force being sent from Ahwaz would be sufficient to cope with the situation.

Persian officials at Ahwaz and Mohammerah are apparently seriously concerned as the situation seems to have developed to such an extent that they cannot hope to control it. A request has been made for strong reinforcements from Tehran.—*Reuter.*

### FOREIGN SECRETARY ON CHINA.

### REALLY GRAVE PHASE NOW PASSED.

London, Jan. 15.

The affairs of China are still a cause of anxiety, declared Sir Austen Chamberlain, the Foreign Secretary, addressing a meeting of his constituents at Birmingham.

Sir Austen Chamberlain added that he thought the position had somewhat improved, and expressed the opinion that the really grave phase of the Chinese revolution had passed with the passing of the Russian influence from China.—*Reuter.*

## HONGKONG BANK APPEAL.

### DISMISSED BY PRIVY COUNCIL.

### MUTILATED BANKNOTE CASE.

London, Jan. 19.

The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, consisting of Lord Buckmaster, Lord Blanesburgh and Lord Darling, has dismissed the appeal brought by the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation from the judgment of the Supreme Court of Hongkong.

The Bank brought the appeal in order to discover the legal position as regards a bank-note which has had its number defaced.

The respondent, Lo Lee-shi, did not appear. Lord Buckmaster recalled, in giving judgment, that the wife of Lo Lee-shi had two \$500 notes in a garment, which she washed, dried, and starched while the notes were still concealed. She did not remember them until she began to iron the garment. The notes were mutilated.

The Bank paid on one of the notes which was fully re-constructed, but refused to pay the other as the number was missing.

#### Not a General Principle.

Their Lordships, continued Lord Buckmaster, though not willing to lay down a general principle of law, were of the opinion that the Bank's contract to honour the note was sufficiently evidenced by the mutilated document and the verbal testimony.—*Reuter.*

The strange adventures of the bank-note were related to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council on Dec. 12, judgment being then reserved.

#### Lump Manipulated.

Mrs. Lo Lee Shi, of Wellington Street, Hongkong, was given two \$500 notes by her husband, and put them in a pocket of an inner garment. Later she washed the garment without first extracting the two notes. She dried the garment and starched it, but when she came to iron it she noticed for the first time a lump in the pocket which contained the two notes. She took out the lump, and as she did so certain small portions adhered to the rough edge of the pocket, and these had not been recovered.

She gave the lump to her husband, who took it to the Bank and explained what had happened. Certain portions of the lump were examined. The number of one of the two notes was identified, and this note was cashed without further question.

Later the husband, having further manipulated the remaining contents of the lump, again attended at the Bank and presented portions of a note from which parts of the words "Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation" were missing and the number and date were indecipherable. This note the Bank refused to cash.

#### Unintentional Negligence.

An action was brought in the Supreme Court and after a hearing lasting several days, the Court held that as the obliteration was caused by unintentional negligence on the part of Mrs. Lo Lee Shi the Bank were bound to honour the note, and gave judgment for \$500 and costs.

This decision was appealed against, the appellants submitting to a Full Court in Hongkong, that the note was not duly presented to them, that certain pieces of paper were presented, but that they were in such a mutilated condition as to render proper identification as a bank note impossible; that the note presented was subsequently to its issue by them materially altered without the appellants' consent by the erasure, destruction, or obliteration of the number and date, that such alterations were due to the negligence of the respondent, and that such alteration constituted material alterations within the meaning of Section 64 of the Bills of Exchange Ordinance, 1885, and that the note sued upon was in consequence void.

The appeal was dismissed with costs (one Judge dissenting), the Court affirming for reasons similar to those stated therein the judgment of the Court of the first instance. It was in these circumstances that the appeal was carried to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council.

## INDIAN STATUTORY COMMISSION.

### UNUSUAL DEMONSTRATION OF FAREWELL.

### MANY INDIANS JOIN.

London, Jan. 19.

The departure for Bombay of the Indian Statutory Commission was attended by an unusual demonstration, several hundred people being assembled at Victoria Station.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Lord Birkenhead, Viscount Peel, a former Secretary for India, Earl Winterton, the Under-Secretary for India, and a large number of members of Parliament of all parties were present.

Sir John Simon expressed his thanks for the splendid send-off.

A great cheer was raised when the train moved off, the Cabinet Ministers joining in. There also were many Indians in the crowd.

Reaching Bombay on February 3rd, the Commission will proceed to Delhi. Staying there a few weeks, they will observe the work of the Council of State, and examine the administrative machinery of the Central Government.

### TO-MORROW'S PICTURES.

#### Gallant Defenders of the "San Nam Hoi."

To-morrow's pictures in the "Telegraph" will be of special interest from the fact that they will include photographs of Captain N. H. Sparke and Chief Engineer M. F. Houghton, who put up such a fine resistance to pirates who attempted to seize control of the s.s. San Nam Hoi. A picture of the ship will also appear.

Other pictures will be the Artillery Company of the Defence Corps carrying out operations at Taillam, a group taken at the wedding of Mr. L. J. Cave and Miss G. M. Hughes, a snapshot of H. E. Crook at the Queen's College prize distribution, and a group of the Shanghai Interport "soccer" team.

chinery of the Central Government. They will afterwards go to Madras and Lahore, and, it is understood, will come into close contact with influential Indians in an unofficial atmosphere.

#### Highest Hopes of Success.

Later, Lord Birkenhead, the Secretary for India, speaking at a luncheon of the Association of the British Chambers of Commerce, referred to the Statutory Commission which, headed by Sir John Simon, left London to-day for India, to investigate there the subject of constitutional reforms.

He said that the members of the Commission had undertaken a task which meant that they must spend four months this year, and seven months next year, in India, and then would have to devote many months more to studying the material they had collected. He had the highest hopes of the success of the Commission, and added, "I have formed the clear view that the less I intervene from this side the better, unless any matter of real principle upon which the Commission desires to consult me may become involved."—*British Wireless.*

### JAPAN MAY SEND TROOPS TO COMBAT BANDITS.

Tokyo, Jan. 12.

Owing to continual attacks by Manchurian bandits the inhabitants of the Yalu Valley have been obliged to take refuge in Korea, and it is possible that Japan will send troops to that region.—*Indo-Pacific.*

## COMMUNIST COUP THREAT.

### CANTON FEARS NEW YEAR OUTBREAK.

### CLOSE WATCH ON SITUATION.

That extremist labourers at Canton are engineering another Communist rising is the somewhat sensational report which appears in one of the vernacular papers this morning. Our Chinese correspondents have failed to discover what truth lies behind the story.

The meagre messages received say that the labour radicals are believed to have decided to strike on the Eve of the Chinese New Year, Sunday, but if the success of the coup cannot be assured on that day then it will be delayed until the second day of the Chinese New Year.

Corps of unemployed labourers described as "dare-devils" are now in Canton and they will be organised by the Communists.

The Canton Government troops at different sectors of the city will be attacked simultaneously when the signal is given.

The reports add that there is also a possibility of another serious question cropping up over the week-end.

It concerns the dismissal of employees on the second day of the Chinese New Year, an unsettled dispute between the Canton merchants and labourers, which may finally lead to further heated arguments and which in turn may develop seriously.

The authorities at Canton, however, appear to be aware of the undercurrent and are endeavouring their best to suppress extreme labour activities, paying a special attention to the movement of officials of the various guilds.

#### Railway Management.

The managements of the Canton-Kowloon Railway, the Canton-Hankow Railway, and the Canton-Samshui Railway, have all been changed since the return of Li Chai-sum to Canton. The manager of the Canton-Hankow Railway (Kwangtung Section), Mr. Leung Kwong-yan having resigned, his post was taken a few days ago by Mr. Chow Wai-yung. Messrs. Ip Kar-chun and Tiu Koon-shun, the executives of the Canton-Kowloon Railway (Chinese Section) and of the Canton-Samshui Railway respectively, have also tendered their resignation and the Government has appointed Mr. Lo Min, former Chief of the Canton-Hankow Railway, to control both the Canton-Kowloon and Canton-Samshui railways.

#### Canton Finance.

Mr. Feng Cho-man, the Commissioner of Finance, who is responsible for the collection of the revenues of the Canton Treasury, has ordered the military commanders of the different districts to remit all of Kwangtung to remit all amounts collected to the Canton Treasury. Whether the result of the request will be a permanently satisfactory is quite another matter.

#### Bank Note Trouble?

Concerning the Canton Government's decision to maintain the value of the Central Bank note, the latest report points to the fact that at least a temporary plan to stabilise the bank-note value has been found by the authorities.

Feng Cho-man, the Finance-Commissioner, and Wong Lung-sang, the Chief of the Central Bank, are said to have evolved the new scheme, which arranges that at several quarters of the city, Central Bank note exchange offices will be opened under the supervision of Government authorities. Persons who produce notes to be changed for silver will not be allowed to tender more than \$10.

In such a manner it is hoped that at least a portion of the poorer class who now possess Central Bank notes will not have to suffer the full effect of the low exchange during the New Year holidays.

To find the necessary silver to meet the demands at the exchanges the Government has ordered that all payments by the merchants on account of the Canton 2½ per cent. surplus tax must be made in silver coins.

The exchange departments will open to-day, it is stated.

## LOOTING EXPECTED AT SHASI.

### YANG SEN'S TROOPS GO TO ICHANG.

### TENSION AT HANKOW.

Shasi, Jan. 19.

Looting is expected here following the departure of the majority of Yang Sen's troops, who have moved to Ichang.—*Naval Wireless.*

Hankow, Jan. 19.

Martial law is still in force, but outwardly there are no signs of disturbance. Tension still exists between the two Generals here and there is still the possibility that this may lead to fighting.—*Naval Wireless.*

Shanghai, Jan. 19.

General Hsiang Shih-hwei has taken over the command of the Shanghai-Woosung area.—*Naval Wireless.*

#### Troop Movements.

Chonglin, Jan. 19.

The 13th and 14th Wahan Armies have passed through here and have proceeded in the direction of Changsha. Up to the present no agreement has been reached with the Hunan forces.

A rumour is current that the 36th Hunan units may join together and move against the 8th Army, which largely consists of men recruited from Kiangsu. It seems possible that this rumour has some bearing on the recent report that the 3rd Kiangsu Army is advancing from Wanchow towards the Hunan border.—*Naval Wireless.*

### NEW HOSTAL FOR MUSLIMS.

### TO BE ERRECTED IN SHELLEY STREET.

A proposition is on foot to erect a hostel adjacent to the Mosque in Shelley Street for the convenience of Muslim travellers passing through this Colony. The plan is being prepared by Messrs. Denison Ram and Gibbs, architects.

This scheme is the outcome of the suggestion of Inspector Khan Sahib Nawab Khan, of the Indian Muslim Society, and has the approval of Mr. U. Rumjahn, the Chairman of the Hongkong Islamic Union. Inspector Khan Sahib Nawab Khan was further instrumental in securing funds for the building, and the Muslim community is much indebted to him.

### TERRIBLE DISASTER IN VILA.

### MANY EUROPEANS KILLED AND INJURED.

Suva, Fiji, Jan. 20.

Ten are killed and fifty-six injured as the result of a terrible fire and explosion at French-owned stores in Vila, New Hebrides.

The damage is estimated to be at least \$200,000. The dead include six Frenchmen, one British and three Asiatics, while 17 French and 45 natives have been injured.—*Reuter.*

### HUGE TIENSIN BLAZE.

### TSINPU RAILWAY OFFICES DESTROYED.

Tientsin, Jan. 20.

The offices of the Tsinpu Railway, situated in large old-style buildings in the Chinese city, were completely gutted by fire yesterday.

The exact extent of the damage (which is believed to be enormous) and the cause of the fire cannot be ascertained.—*Reuter.*

### FRANCO-SPANISH AERIAL AGREEMENT.

Madrid, Jan. 13.

Negotiations for the conclusion of an agreement on the subject of aerial lines between France and Spain have resulted in the establishment of a text which will be submitted to the Governments of the two countries concerned for ratification.—*Indo-Pacific.*

## NANKING GETTING ALARMED.

### BIG ARMS SHIPMENTS TO NORTH.

### ACTION AGAINST GERMAN FIRMS URGED.

### STRONG MEMORANDUM

Shanghai, Jan. 20.

The Nanking Government is becoming alarmed at the reports of large arms shipments to Marshal Chang Tso-lin, and a message dated yesterday, from Nanking, states that with reference to the various reports that a large shipment of arms has been imported from Germany by the Norwegian steamer Skule, by German firms including Messrs. Siemens and Company, and Messrs. Carlowitz and Company, and sold to Marshal Chang Tso-lin and Marshal Sun Chuan-fang, the Nanking Foreign Ministry has issued a Memorandum.

The document is addressed to the Nanking Government Council and recommends that instructions be issued to the Military Council, the Nationalist Navy and the Foreign Ministry for investigation and verification of the reports.

#### Detain Ship.

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs further recommends that, if the reports be true, instructions should be issued to naval and customs authorities to detain the ship in Chinese waters, while all branch offices of the offending firms in Nationalist territory be immediately sealed, or otherwise properly dealt with.

It is also urged that all foreigners and Chinese found to be implicated in the illicit traffic of arms be arrested and handed over to the proper authorities for punishment, according to the laws of treason and rebellion.

#### Request to Consuls.

The Memorandum finally requests that the German and Norwegian Consuls be communicated with, suggesting that they warn their nationals against any such further violations of the law.

The reports which have reached the Foreign Office at Nanking are substantially as follows:—The Peking Government has recently commissioned a number of German firms at Tientsin, Tainan and Tsingtao to purchase arms and ammunition from Germany to the value of more than \$6,000,000.

#### Consignment Delivered.

In accordance with the contract, the s.s. Skule, a Norwegian freighter, arrived at Tsingtao on January 1st, with a large cargo of arms. The cargo was immediately unloaded by agents of Messrs. Carlowitz and Company and delivered to representatives of the various Fengtien armies, who had been waiting for several days at Tsingtao for the consignment.—*Reuter.*

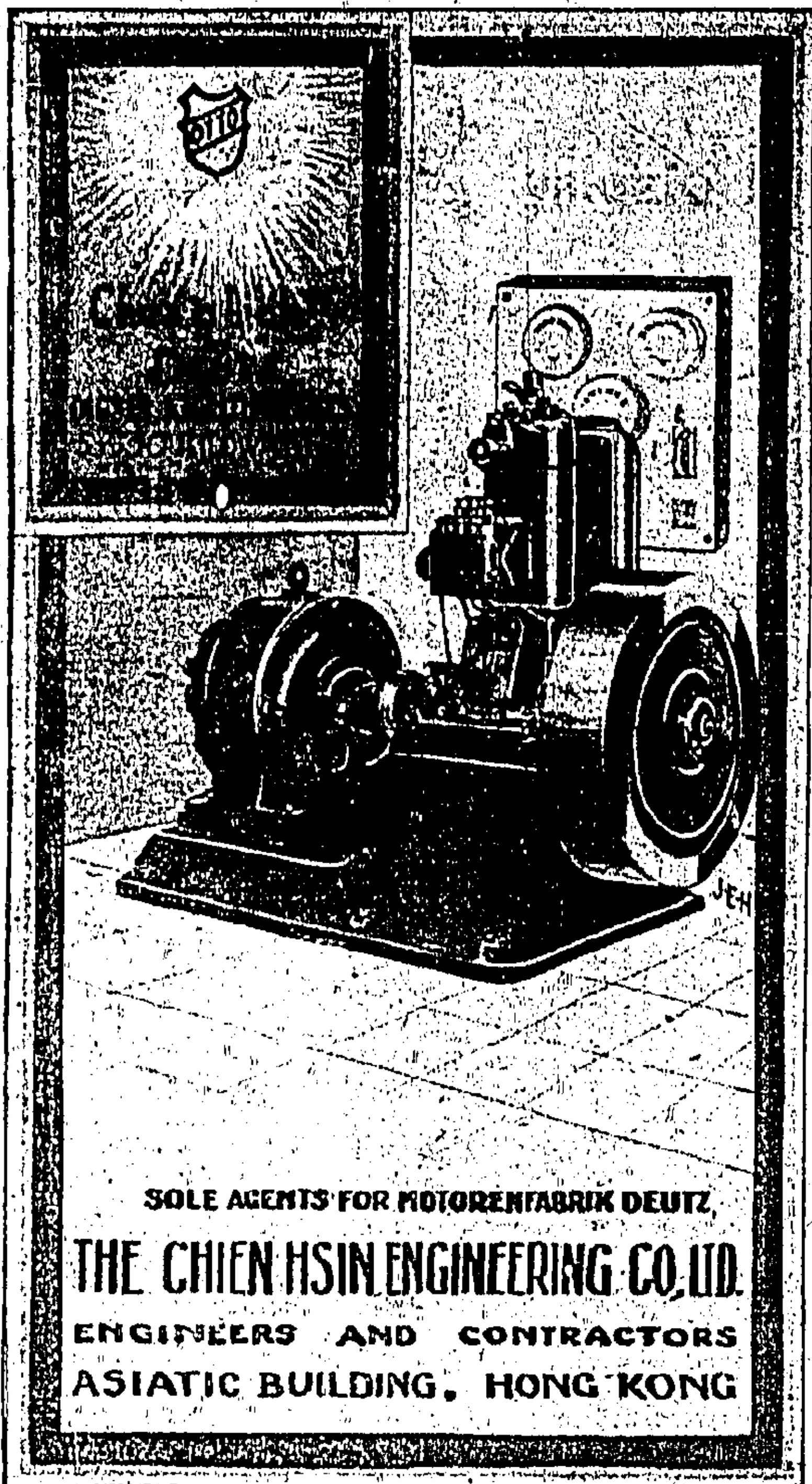
Another steamer, the s.s. Praga, German-manned, but flying the Czechoslovakian flag, is on its way to Chinwangtao from Manila, with a consignment of 30,000 rifles for Marshal Chang Tso-lin's forces. A Reuter message from Manila stated that the Praga had made a wide detour to the Formosan Straits in order to avoid Nationalist gunboats said to be on the look-out. The same message added that the Japanese cruiser Ohi was following in the Praga's wake.

#### Japan's Neutrality.

Peking, Jan. 20.—With reference to the message from Manila concerning the Praga and the Japanese cruiser Ohi, published yesterday, the Japanese Legation fears that the wording of the cable may lead to the assumption in certain quarters that the cruiser Ohi was conveying the Praga to North China. The Japanese Legation declares that any such assumption is without foundation.

The Japanese Government is not departing from its usual policy of neutrality. It is pointed out that the cruiser Ohi cruises the South Seas and calls in at Manila more than once in the course of a year. Its call on the 18th was in accordance with customary routine.—*Reuter.*





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### R.A.S.C. DRIVER'S DEATH.

#### VERDICT AT CORONER'S ENQUIRY.

The Coroner's enquiry into the circumstances surrounding the tragic death of Driver Charles William Begley, R.A.S.C., who was killed when a Morris six-wheeler ambulance which he was driving on the night of January 13 went over the side of the road when descending Dairy Farm Hill, Pokfulam, and overturned, was held before Mr. R. E. Lindsell and a jury at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

Dr. A. Cannon, in charge of Victoria Mortuary, said that he made a post mortem examination, the findings of which showed that the cause of death was primarily due to a fractured skull and haemorrhage. The body was thin but well developed. There were no signs of organic disease. On opening the body, there was a strong smell of alcohol.

Mr. Lindsell.—Does that smell lead to the conclusion that the deceased, before his death, had taken a large quantity of alcohol?—A considerable amount. Of course that does not necessarily mean that he was drunk.

Continuing, Dr. Cannon said there was a dislocation of the jaw and a bruise on the right side of the trunk. The head injuries were consistent with Begley having been crushed by a heavy object, and a fall.

Sub-Inspector Vincent, the official police photographer, gave evidence of having taken photographs of the scene of the accident.

Driver J. Leishman, R.A.S.C., quartered at Wellington Barracks, said that he knew Begley, who was also a driver, and they shared the same room. Between 2.30 and three o'clock on the afternoon of January 13, he saw Begley, when he appeared to be the worse for drink, but he did not actually see Begley drinking.

At about six o'clock on the same afternoon witness entered his room and found Begley on his bed, but he was not asleep. He apparently tried to turn over on his side, but he turned over too far and rolled off the bed on to the floor. He picked himself up immediately, but appeared dazed. After this, being already dressed in his trousers and tunic, he put on his great coat and cap as if to go out. Witness then went out, leaving Begley in the room.

Continuing, witness said that during that time no words were exchanged between them and he did not again see Begley alive. Begley was usually a sober man. Witness had seen him drunk two or three times previously, but never quite so bad as on that afternoon.

#### Was on Duty.

On that day Begley was duty driver during the afternoon and evening, and was confined to barracks in order to take an ambulance in answer to a call in case one was received.

Pte. W. Brown, "D" Company, K.O.S.B., stationed at Wellington Barracks, said that between the hours of six o'clock and nine o'clock on the evening of January 13 he was on military police duty at the main gate of the barracks. After half past five the main gate was shut. Witness knew Begley by sight and name, but not personally.

About a quarter to eight, Begley came into the guard room and asked witness to open the gates to enable him to take his ambulance out. He seemed to be hurried and excited, but witness thought he was quite sober. Witness did not make enquiries, but supposed that there had been a call for an ambulance. He opened the main gates and saw Begley drive an ambulance away in an easterly direction. He drove quite steadily, and witness saw nothing to indicate that Begley was not sober.

The next witness was Corporal G. C. Johnson, R.A.M.C., stationed at Lyemun Barracks, who said that

he knew Begley. At ten minutes past eight on the evening of January 13 Begley entered the canteen at Lyemun Barracks and witness paid for a drink for him. At that time he seemed quite sober, but had a few drinks. Begley was in the canteen for only five minutes, and had, so far as witness saw, only one drink.

Five minutes later witness walked with Begley to the ambulance, which was outside, and Begley drove away.

In answer to the Coroner, witness said to reach the canteen and to have left it Begley must have driven up and down the narrow Gun Road, which was only about a foot wider than the ambulance itself. There were three fairly sharp bends on that road.

#### Constable's Evidence.

Evidence given by an Indian constable was to the effect that, in answer to a report which reached him at Pokfulam sub-station, he proceeded down Dairy Farm Hill and just below the first sharp corner he saw the ambulance, upside down, off the road, part of the hood having been torn off and wedged against a tree on the roadside. Witness saw a soldier underneath the overturned vehicle, and tried to extricate him but failed. The soldier appeared to be dead. He hurried back to his station and telephoned to No. 7 Police Station, as a result of which Sub-Inspector McWalter and Traffic Sergt. Clark arrived on the scene, to be followed shortly afterwards by others, including Sub-Inspector C. F. Alexander.

Sub-Inspector McWalter said when he arrived Begley was lying on his back with his head pinned down by the tank. He was obviously dead. Witness found it impossible to extricate the body, so he informed the Military Authorities. Between two and three o'clock in the morning another military six-wheeler Morris arrived, and by means of ropes the ambulance was pulled off Begley, whose body was sent to the mortuary.

Captain H. C. Goodfellow, R.A.S.C., commanding the M. T. detachment in Hongkong, which is quartered at Wellington Barracks, said that Begley was nearly 28 years of age, being born on April 13, 1900. He was born in Isleworth. He came to Hongkong on April 14, 1927, and had served here ever since as a driver of the Morris six-wheelers. He was a good driver, being a Class Two man, out of three classes.

#### A Good Record.

Begley had never been "crimed" for being drunk during his service of seven years, and witness had never seen Begley the worse for liquor.

On January 13, from 12.30 p.m. until 8 a.m. on the following morning, Begley was confined to barracks as a waiting driver in case the ambulance was called for. So far as witness knew, none of his drivers had driven a Government vehicle round the island. The drivers were not allowed to take vehicles out except when on duty. When on duty it was most unlikely that a driver would be required to take his ambulance to Pokfulam.

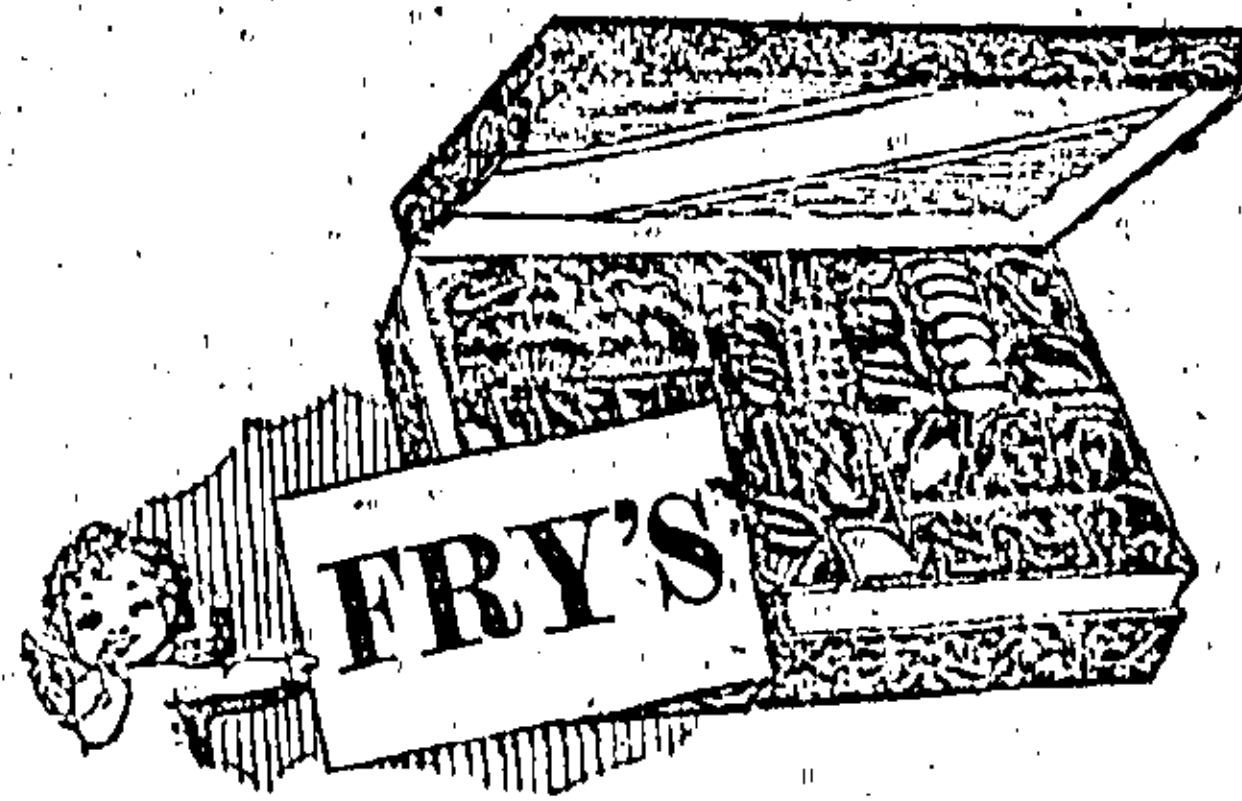
Witness continued that he had made enquiries and was satisfied that no call had been sent for an ambulance on the night of January 13. Begley must have taken the Morris out without authority.

The Coroner asked witness if it was a common practice for the vehicles to be taken out after dark. Witness replied that it was not, as such an incident would always be discovered in the morning, a record of mileage of each vehicle being kept daily. He added he was satisfied that was the first time such an instance had occurred.

Witness went on to speak of being called to the scene of the accident, and of the overturned ambulance.

In reply to Mr. Lindsell, Captain Goodfellow said he was sure that Begley would have been using top gear.

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### GERMAN DEFENCE.

#### NOTED MILITARY LEADER SUCCEEDS GESSLER.

Berlin, Jan. 19. General Groener has been appointed Minister of Defence in succession to General Gessler. General Groener is sixty-one years of age. He was charged with the entire railway operations on the outbreak of the war and conducted the economic mobilisation of the civilian population in 1918. He succeeded General Ludendorff as Quartermaster General in 1918 and played a decisive role in the ex-Kaiser's flight to Holland for which the Nationalists have never forgiven him.—Reuter.

### DOCTOR KNIGHTED.

#### NOTEWORTHY MEDICAL SERVICE REWARDED.

London, Jan. 19. The King has conferred the rank of honorary Knight Commander of the Order of Saint Michael and Saint George upon Doctor Castellani, Director of Tropical Medicine at the Ross Institute and the Hospital of Tropical Diseases, London. Dr. Castellani, who was born in Florence, has lived in England for many years. He is chiefly known for his part in elucidating the causes of sleeping sickness, yaws and other tropical maladies.—British Wireless.

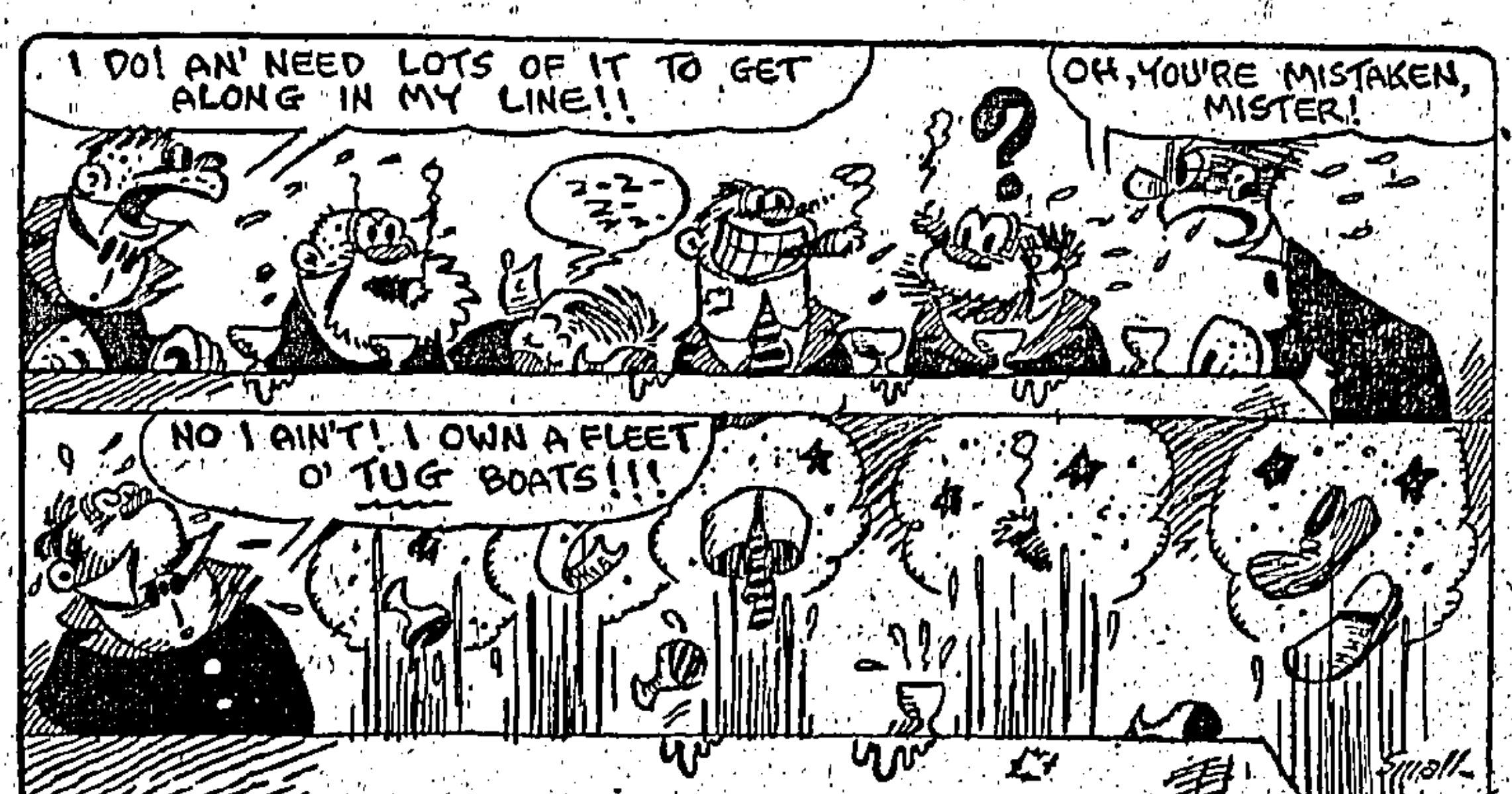
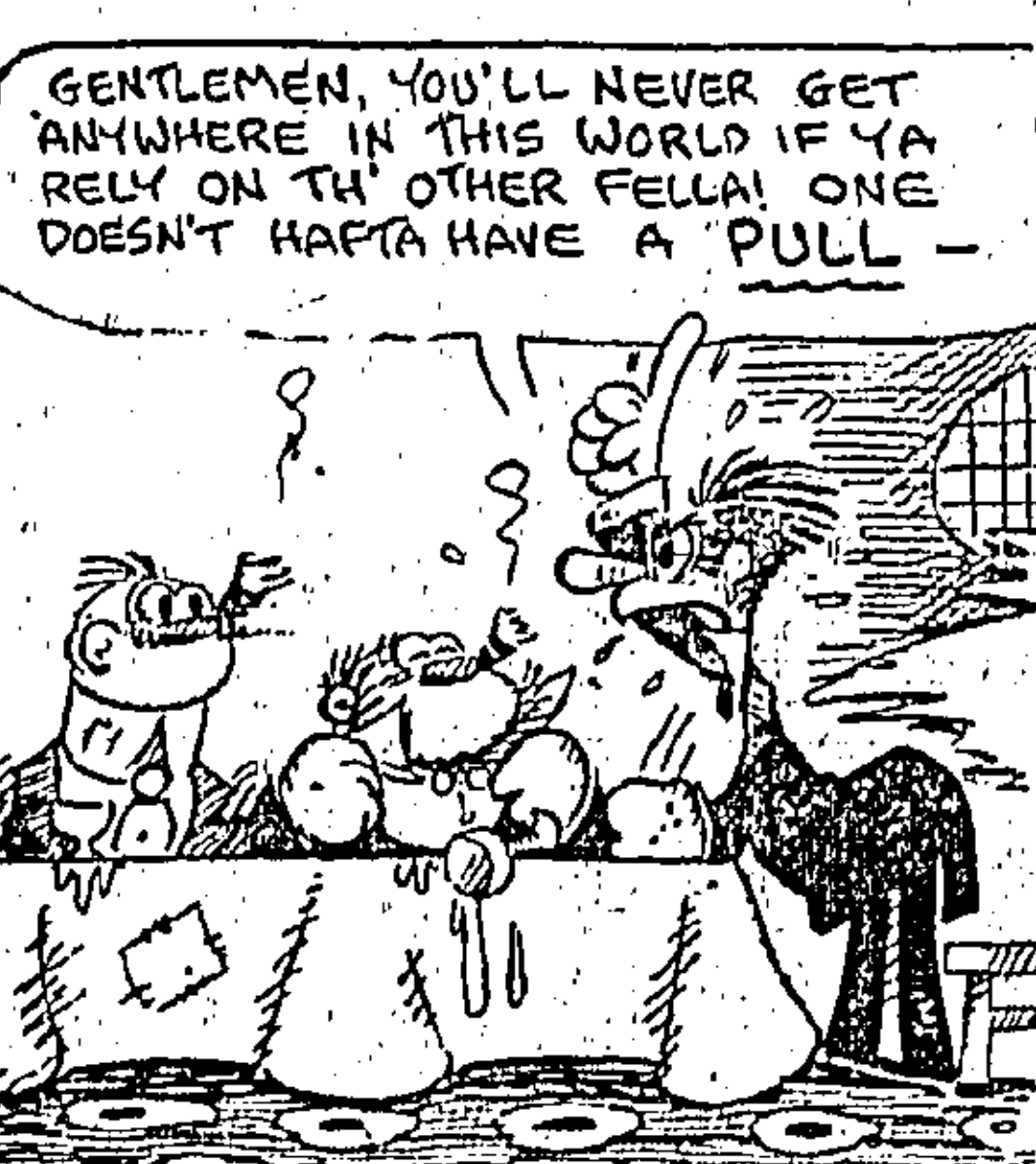
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The King (Miss Betty Roberts), the Queen (Miss Rosamund Marshall) and the Dairy-maid (Miss Yvonne Phillips), in the play "The King's Breakfast," given at Shanghai recently.



Left to right: Mr. F. W. Potter, Mrs. H. Phillips, Mr. N. H. Rutherford and Major Grune (Beds. and Herts.) at the last Shanghai Paper Hunt.



Group photo taken prior to the departure for home of Lady Barton, President of the Advisory Committee and Chairman of the House Committee, and of members of the Administrative and Advisory Committees of the British Forces Recreation Centres Shanghai. Left to right, standing: Mr. H. M. Spence, Mrs. James (Chrmn. of Canteens), Mrs. Percy Liddell (Chrmn. of Entertainments), Mr. Hayim, Mrs. Gauntlett (Hon. Sec. British Red Cross Soc., Shanghai Branch), Mr. A. W. Burkill (Chrmn. Advisory Comm.), Mr. D. C. Boyce (Hon. Treas. Advisory Comm.), Mr. Percy Liddell, Seated: Mrs. N. Leslie (Chrmn. Shop Comm.), Mrs. Mauchan (Hon. Treas. Administrative Comm.), Mrs. A. K. Orodock (Chrmn. Library Comm.), Lady Barton, Mrs. Hilton-Johnson (Hon. Sec. Advisory and Administrative Committees), Mrs. A. C. Clear (Chrmn. Visiting Comm.), Mrs. V. Meyer (Chrmn. Dance Comm.), Mrs. E. T. Byrne (new Chrmn. Administrative Comm.), Mrs. Hayim and Mr. A. C. Clear were unable to be present when the photo was taken.



Shanghai boys are very strong supporters of the Scouts Movement as this group photo of all the scouts and wolf cubs who took part in the concert given at the Lyceum Theatre in aid of camp funds shows. An excellent show was presented, each item on the programme being performed by a different unit of the Association.

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### NOTICE.

**A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.**  
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On Monday, the 23rd January, and Tuesday, the 24th January, all Departments will be CLOSED.

On these days, The Hongkong Dispensary, Dispensing Department, will be open for dispensing prescriptions from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 6 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

**A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.**  
Hongkong, 20th January, 1928.

### G. R. NOTICE.

IT IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that owing to the CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAY a constant supply of water will be given in all RIDER MAIN DISTRICTS during SATURDAY, SUNDAY & MONDAY, the 21st, 22nd & 23rd instant.

**HAROLD T. CREASY.**  
Water Authority.  
Public Works Department.  
Hongkong, 18th January, 1928.

### BANK HOLIDAY.

In Accordance with Ordinance No. 5 of 1912, the Exchange Banks will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on MONDAY, and TUESDAY, the 23rd and 24th instant.  
Hongkong, 18th January, 1928.

**THE HONG KONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LTD.**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTIETH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, 9th February, 1928, at 12.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1927.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from Thursday, 26th January, to Thursday, 9th February, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

**L. S. GREENHILL.**  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 10th January, 1928.

### G. R. NOTICE.

**PARTICULARS & CONDITIONS** of Sale by Public Auction to be held on Thursday, the 26th day of January, 1928, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at New Kowloon in the Colony of Hongkong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King for one further term of 24 years less three days.

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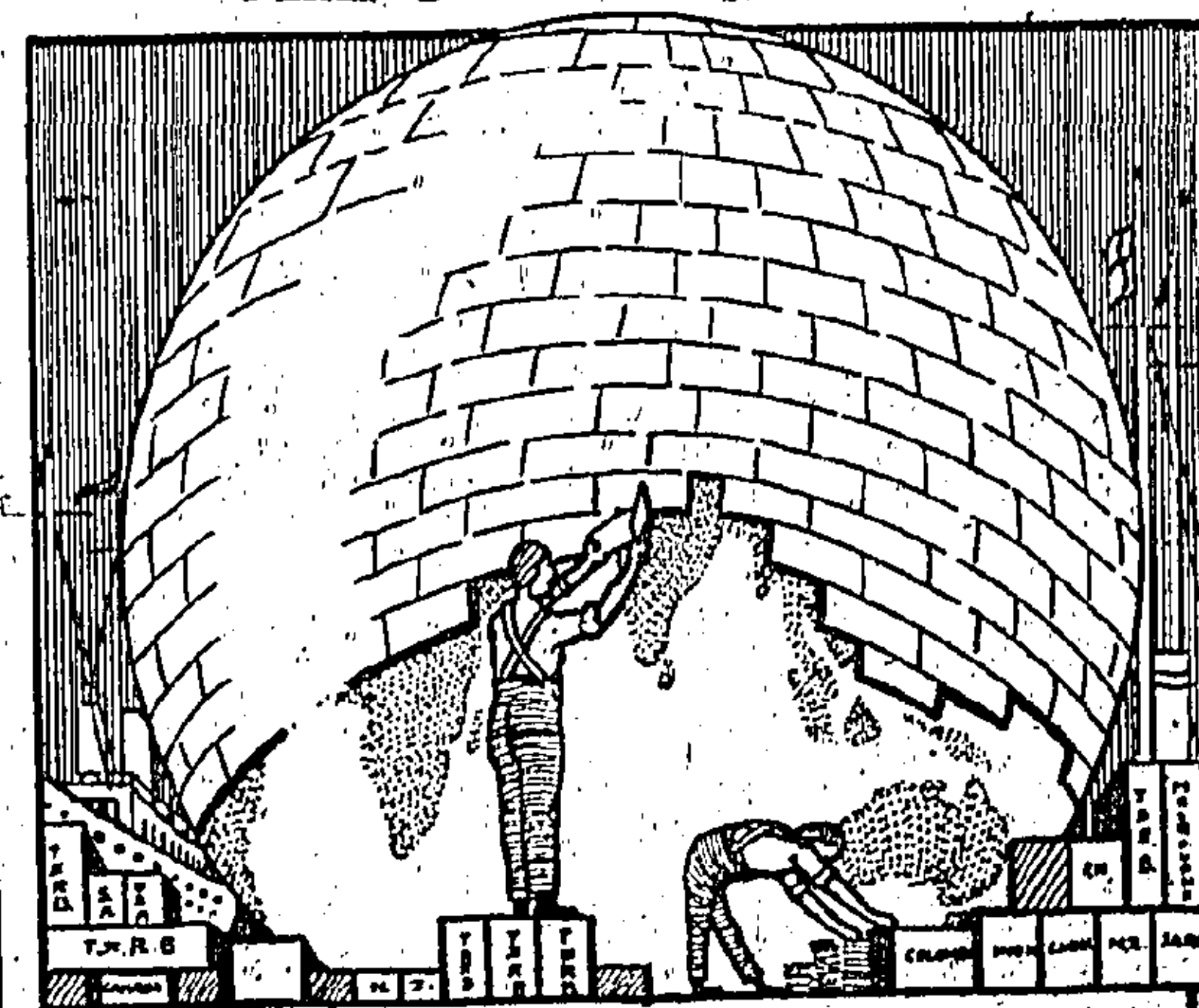
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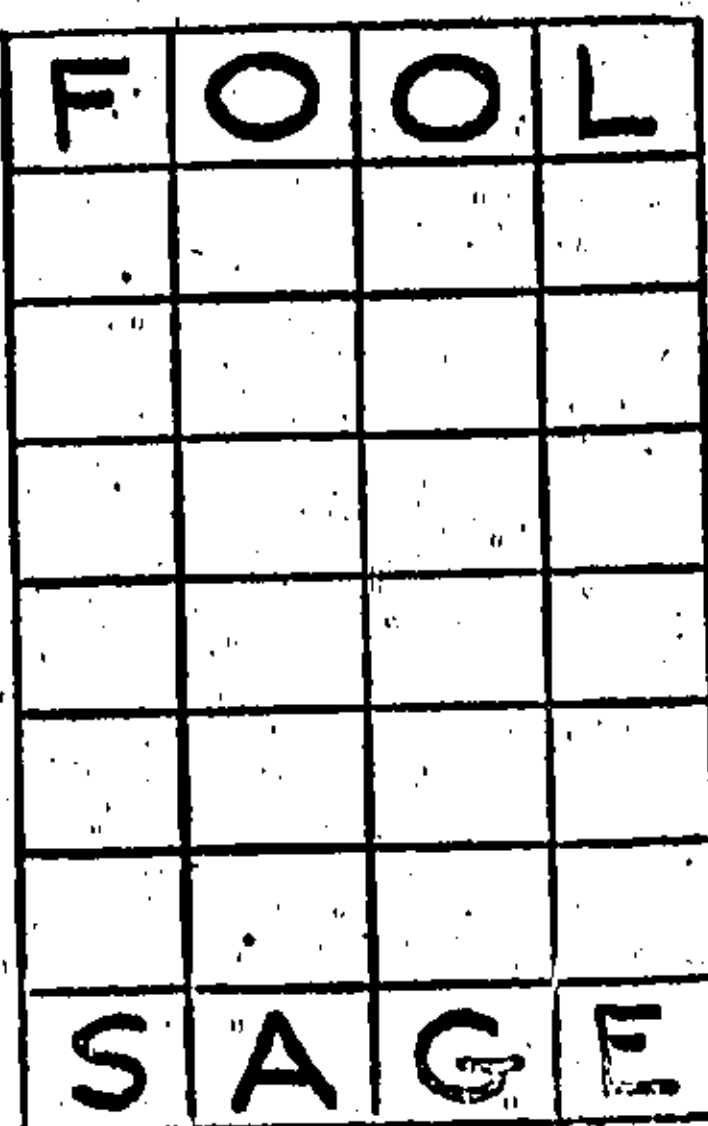


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3—You must have a complete word, of common usage, for each jump. Slang words and abbreviations don't count.

4—The order of letters cannot be changed.

One solution is printed on another page of this issue.

Among passengers due to arrive from home by S.S. Khyber on Saturday are: Mr. N. H. Bennett, Rev. A. H. Bray, Mrs. Bray, Mr. C. S. Coom, Mrs. Coom, Mr. S. W. Cliffe, Mr. J. S. Dykes, Mr. J. A. Galbraith, Lt. Comdr. E. C. Hulton, Lieut. J. H. Illingworth, Rev. P. Kennelly, Mr. J. McCormack, Mrs. McCormack, Mr. W. Shaw, Mrs. Shaw, Mr. A. K. Taylor, Mrs. Taylor and family.

## POST OFFICE NOTICE

### CHINESE NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

On Monday, the 23rd inst., the G.P.O. and Branch Post Offices will be entirely closed; and on Tuesday, the 24th inst., the G.P.O. will be open from 8 a.m. to noon and the Branch Post Offices from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.  
On Tuesday, the 24th inst., there will be one collection from the pillar-boxes, and one delivery of ordinary correspondence as on Sundays, and also one delivery of registered correspondence from the G.P.O. at 9 a.m.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the holidays.

### INWARD. MAILS.

| From                                                       | Per             | Date        |
|------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-------------|
| Straits                                                    | D'Artagnan      | January 20. |
| Saigon                                                     | Takada          | January 21. |
| Shanghai                                                   | Sinkiang        | January 21. |
| Europe via Suez (Letters and papers)                       |                 |             |
| London 22nd December, 1927 and parcels 15th December, 1927 | Khyber          | January 22. |
| Manila                                                     | Pres. Lincoln   | January 23. |
| Straits                                                    | Atsuta Maru     | January 23. |
| U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai                         | Pres. Cleveland | January 23. |
| Shanghai                                                   | Antenor         | January 24. |
| U.S.A. Honolulu Japan and Shanghai                         | Tenyo Maru      | January 27. |
| Japan and Shanghai                                         | Haruna Maru     | January 27. |

### OUTWARD. MAILS.

| For                                                                                  | Per            | Date                     |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------|
| Formosa                                                                              | Saarbrücken    | Fri., Jan. 20, 3.30 p.m. |
| Manila                                                                               | Emp. of Canada | Fri., Jan. 20, 3.30 p.m. |
| Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia                                               | D'Artagnan     | Fri., Jan. 20, 4 p.m.    |
| Samsui and Wuchow                                                                    | Taiming        | Fri., Jan. 20, 4.30 p.m. |
| Shanghai and Europe via Siberia                                                      | Suiyang        | Fri., Jan. 20, 5 p.m.    |
| Amoy                                                                                 | Prosper        | Fri., Jan. 20, 5 p.m.    |
| Haiphong                                                                             | Tjaoondari     | Sat., Jan. 21, 8.30 a.m. |
| Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles | Nowchwang      | Sat., Jan. 21, 10 a.m.   |

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| Devanha      | K.P.O. | 20th 4.30 p.m.  |
| Registration |        | 21st 9 a.m.     |
| Letters      |        | 21st 10 a.m.    |
| G.P.O.       |        | 20th 5 p.m.     |
| Registration |        | 21st 9.45 a.m.  |
| Letters      |        | 21st 10.30 a.m. |

(Due Marseilles 18th February).  
Hoikow, Pakhoi and Haiphong ... Newchwang ... Sat., Jan. 21, 10 a.m.  
Formosa ... Sourabaya Maru ... Sat., Jan. 21, 10.30 a.m.

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|----------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| Hoilo                                  | Sat., Jan. 21, 1.30 p.m.                  |
| Amoy                                   | Takada ... Sat., Jan. 21, 5 p.m.          |
| Manila                                 | Pres. Cleveland ... Sat., Jan. 22, 9 a.m. |
| Swatow, Amoy and Formosa               | Kaifu Maru ... Sun., Jan. 22, 9 a.m.      |
| Shanghai, Japan and Europe via Siberia | Khyber ... Sun., Jan. 22, 9 a.m.          |
| Shanghai                               | Atsuta Maru ... Tues., Jan. 24, 9 a.m.    |
| Swatow                                 | Yat Shing ... Tues., Jan. 24, 9 a.m.      |

\*U.S.A., \*C. and \*S. America and \*Europe via Victoria B.C. ... Pres. Lincoln ... Tues., Jan. 24, 10 a.m.  
Registration ... 11.15 a.m.  
Letters ... Noon  
(Due Victoria B.C. 13th February).

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and \*Europe via Vancouver, B.C., and Europe via Siberia ... Emp. of Asia ... Wed., Jan. 25, 9 a.m.  
Registration ... 9.15 a.m.  
Letters ... 10 a.m.  
(Due Vancouver, B.C. 12th February).

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles ... Antenor ... Wed., Jan. 25, 9 a.m.  
Registration ... 9.45 a.m.  
Letters ... 10.30 a.m.  
(Due Marseilles 22nd February).

Straits and Calcutta ... Siu Sang ... Wed., Jan. 25, 1.30 p.m.  
Registration ... 2.30 p.m.  
Letters ... 2.30 p.m.  
(Due Marseilles 22nd February).

Jaya via Batavia ... Tjaoondari ... Wed., Jan. 25, 1.30 p.m.  
Bangkok ... Kaying ... Wed., Jan. 25, 3.30 p.m.  
Swatow ... Hydrangea Thurs., Jan. 26, 2.30 p.m.  
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow ... Haining ... Fri., Jan. 27, 1 p.m.

Manila, Sandakan, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island ... Arafa ... Fri., Jan. 27, 5 p.m.  
Registration ... Jan. 28, 5 p.m.  
Letters ... Jan. 27, 8.30 a.m.

Hoikow, Pakhoi and Haiphong ... Nanning ... Sat., Jan. 28, 10.30 a.m.  
Sandakan ... Himsang ... Sat., Jan. 28, 1.30 p.m.  
Swatow ... Pooshing ... Sat., Jan. 28, 5 p.m.  
Amoy ... Lai Sang ... Sat., Jan. 28, 5 p.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles ... Haruna Maru ... Sat., Jan. 28, 10 a.m.  
Registration ... 27th 4.30 p.m.  
Letters ... 28th 9 a.m.  
G.P.O. ... 28th 8.45 a.m.  
Letters ... 9.30 a.m.  
(Due Marseilles 26th February).

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and \*Europe via San Francisco and Europe via Siberia ... Tenyo Maru ... Sat., Jan. 28, 1.45 p.m.  
Registration ... 2.45 p.m.  
Letters ... 2.30 p.m.  
(Due San Francisco, 22nd Feb.).

Saigon, \*Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles ... Angers ... Tues., Jan. 31, 1 p.m.  
Registration ... 1 p.m.  
Letters ... 1 p.m.  
G.P.O. ... 1.45 p.m.  
Letters ... 2.30 p.m.  
(Due Marseilles 2nd March).

\*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

## BRITAIN'S TRADE.

### FUTURE SHOWS GROUND FOR CONFIDENCE.

London, Jan. 19.  
"Looking into the future there is good ground for confidence," declared Mr. Frederick Goodenough, reviewing Britain's trade prospects at the Barclay's Bank meeting. He said that both in industry and trade Britain was at the present time showing indications of a substantial revival, which was likely to be more permanent than earlier short revivals.

He instanced the recovery of shipbuilding also the growing mutual understanding between capital and labour. He said that American, given the advantage by her internal tariffs, free trade abroad and small taxation, and Germany, where, following the Dawes' scheme, great industrial amalgamations occurred, facilitating mass production, were likely to become the chief rivals of each other, but Britain, by the better organisation of her basic industries and by a combination of interests should be able to hold her own.

Referring to the suggestions of the banks' direct policy toward various industries, notably Lancashire cotton, Mr. Goodenough said that the banks had advanced large sums to the cotton mills and there was little room for further advances in many cases. It was not the function of a bank to determine the method of carrying on any particular interest. That must be left to the people engaged in the industry. —*Reuter.*



## 21 YEARS AGO.

EXTRACTS FROM  
"TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following items are from the Hongkong Telegraph for the week ended January 12th, 1907.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 28.25.

Plans were announced for the forthcoming visit of the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall, these including the unveiling of statues of King Edward and the Prince of Wales, in Statue Square.

A Scottish concert was announced to take place at the City Hall on Burns Night.

A boom in Hongkong and Shanghai Bank shares was caused by the announcement of the intended creation of 40,000 new shares of \$125 each, to be offered to shareholders at a price of £30 each in the proportion of one new share to two old.

The appointment of Mr. W. Rega Davis, King's Advocate at Cyprus, as Attorney General of Hongkong, in succession to Sir Henry Berkeley, was announced.

Mr. J. Barton was appointed President of the Hongkong Horticultural Society in the place of Sir Francis Pigott, resigned.

## INDIAN REFORMS.

STATUTORY COMMISSION  
LEAVES FOR INDIA.

London, Jan. 19.

The Statutory Commission to inquire into the working of reforms, headed by Sir John Simon, has left for India.

Sir John Simon and his colleagues of the Statutory Commission, which is to inquire into the working of Indian reforms, will leave London to-day and embark on Mooltan at Marseilles to-morrow. They reach Bombay February 3 and proceed first to Delhi.

Last night Sir John Simon's legal colleagues bade him farewell. Sir Douglas Hogg, Attorney General, expressed his desire that success would crown the great work he had undertaken. —British Wireless.

## GUNBOAT ASHORE.

CHINESE CHANGI BREAKS  
HER BACK.

Shanghai, Jan. 19.

It is reported that the gunboat Changi has gone ashore at Changshan, North West of Chefoo. The vessel has broken her back. No details are available. —Reuter.

[The Changi is a steel gunboat of 740 tons displacement, constructed with three sister ships, in Japan, in 1907. She is 180 feet in length, beam 28 ft. and draught 7 ft. She carries one 12 cm., one 75 cm., four 4.7 cm. and four 8 mm. guns. Her speed is 13 knots and she has a complement of 97 officers and men. The Changi was captured by the Haidi off Woosung in the spring of 1927.]

## "INCIDENTS."

GLOBE TROTTERS AGAIN  
TO-NIGHT.

To-night at 9.15 in the Star Theatre, Mr. Dick Norton's clever company of eleven artists, the "Globe Trotters," will present their entertaining revue, "Incidents," which represents an entirely new programme. The company will repeat "Incidents" to-morrow night when they will bring their season to a close. "Incidents" is probably the best of the company's revues and two thoroughly enjoyable evenings are assured.

Booking is at Mottrie's and the Star Theatre at the popular admission prices of \$3, \$2 and \$1.

WOMAN'S WORLD  
FOR OUR LADY READERS.

## Modern Jewellery.

## AND HOW TO WEAR IT.

At the wonderful £1,000,000 jewels display and dress show, organised by the National Jewellers' Association and Paul Caret, Ltd., at the May Fair Hotel recently, the famous £100,000 three-string pearl necklace was worn with an evening gown of black satin and gold; another three-string pearl necklace at £65,000 had also a black and gold setting, but this time it was a two-piece that the mannequin wore, the frock being of black velvet and gold tissue and the short coat of black velvet; the hat was of folded purple velvet drawn down at one side over the ear.

Pearl necklaces were worn with a plain but very smart brown two-piece, which had a woven jumper with a velvet border and a cloth skirt, and a delightful evening frock of lime green chiffon lined with azalea brown.

Carved Emeralds accompanied a beige frock worn beneath a brown and beige check tweed coat collared with brown fur; the tweed hat was trimmed with an emerald scarf. Emeralds were also worn with a grey suit piped with emerald colour which reappeared in the grey scarf and on the grey hat.

A shoulder-knot brooch, of diamonds and emeralds, the emeralds suspended on diamond

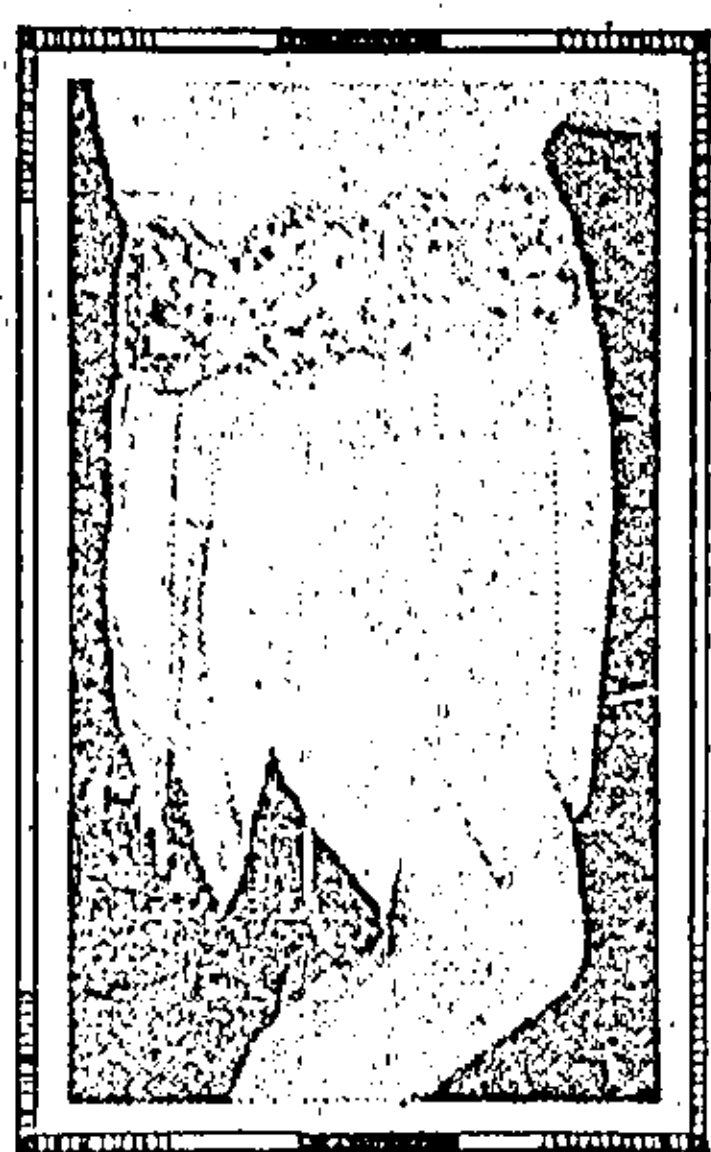
## Smart &amp; Simple.



Here is one of those "little" frocks that achieve distinction by virtue of their smart simplicity. Carried out in geranium-hued crepe de chine, with self collar, cuffs, and tie it is given a striking relief note in the fashionable belt of black suede which girdles the hips.

chains, was worn by a mannequin in an evening frock of fine black lace and silk.

## Petalled Slip.



A dawn pink Paris evening slip has a hip yoke of rich cream lace and the skirt portion a dozen separate delicate pink petals that allow great freedom for dancing.

An exquisite saviour of diamonds hung low on a golden gown of beaded net and georgette worn with a gold tissue coat collared with orange-brown fur.

Three huge emeralds on a background of platinum made a lovely brooch worn on an evening frock in black and white and silver harlequin design. All brooches, whether worn on evening or day frocks, were pinned at the side, usually the right side of the gown.

## Diamonds on Black Cloth.

A diamond brooch of beautiful design adorned a frock of black cloth and black lace silk worn with a small black hat. Another little black frock was made distinctively lovely by a large diamond brooch in the form of a snake with head and tail turned towards each other.

Diamond brooches, many of them also set with large emeralds, were worn in the front of many of the hats, which were all very plain, made in velvet, finest felt or satin, and folded in all sorts of ways, the favourite finish being the drooping fold over one ear.

A diamond necklace inset with large square emeralds, and worn close round the throat, accompanied a frock of pure silk. An emerald necklace of Egyptian design was "in the picture" with an evening gown, which suggested gold cobwebs over orange-pink crepe de chine.

Rubies and emeralds were contrasted in a brooch worn at the side of a white and silver dance frock, with panels of black velvet hanging from the hips. The accompanying coat was of ruby velvet.

An opal necklace and an emerald and diamond brooch were chosen to be worn with a beige crepe de chine frock and a beige felt hat; the beige coat was trimmed with lynx.

Pearl and diamond earrings, three perfect drop pearls being suspended from each earring, were worn by a mannequin dressed in white and palest pink chiffon embroidered with diamonds.

A £3,000 diamond bracelet sparkled on the wrist of the wearer of a pink and black crepe frock; the top part of the frock being pink and the skirt black; sequin embroideries were worked in one huge diamond design on bodice and skirt.

## Women Rebel.

OBJECT TO RELIGIOUS  
INTERFERENCE.

The ladies of Italy, it would seem, are rebellious against the determined efforts of the Catholic clergy, acting under direct orders from the Pope, to fight the prevalent feminine fashions.

Several scenes in various churches are reported, when ladies have been requested to leave owing to the exigencies of their costumes.

In the church of St. Domenico at Prato, near Florence, two young women, "shamefully dressed," to quote the words of the monks, were requested to leave during the high mass they had come to hear.

The ladies, wearing the light and alluring dresses prescribed by fashion, with sleeveless arms and transparent skirts barely reaching to the knee, were approached by two severe-faced Dominicans and asked to leave the church.

They refused, and expostulated with great vivacity. The white-robed monks, nothing daunted, accompanied them firmly to the door, while the rest of the congregation looked on in amazement.

The ladies remained outside the church for several minutes, protesting against the behaviour of the monks.

A similar case is reported from Piacenza where a priest engaged in confirming a group of children, took

## For the Spring.



Over a pleated frock of shell pink georgette is worn a coat in coarse string-coloured lace; the hat is in string coloured straw with a black plume at one side.

exception to the dress of one of the god-mothers and requested her to leave.

## CHURCH UNITY.

SEVERAL SUBJECTS  
ELIMINATED.

London, Jan. 19.

The report of the Malines conversation, held under the approval of the Vatican and Roman Catholic theologians, is published to-day. It consists of two parts. One is the Anglican Church's report on the informal conference to the Archbishop of Canterbury, and the other consists of a memorandum by the Roman Catholic members of the conference.

The conversations were necessarily inconclusive, but the Anglican members state that the series of conversations may be described as an elimination of several subjects which have ceased to be causes of difference and the elucidation of others that still remain.

The Roman Catholic members state that the conversations have impressed upon all who took part in them the conviction that in proportion as mutual understanding and doctrinal agreement advance, it will become possible to arrange a satisfactory adjustment of disciplinary rules however delicate that may seem to be at present. —British Wireless.

## TRADE DISPUTES.

LOSSES SMALLER LAST YEAR  
THAN PREVIOUSLY.

London, Jan. 19.

In a survey of the cost of living and trade disputes during the past year the Ministry of Labour records that in spite of the losses in some important industries the average number of persons actually unemployed was smaller than the previous year. The number of trade disputes causing stoppages of work was the lowest ever recorded. The average amount of unemployment among insured persons was less than in any year since 1920.

The review shows that contemporaneously with the general improvement in employment the cost of living has progressively decreased. —British Wireless.

STUDENTS' FATAL  
QUARREL.

## ACCUSED GIVES HIS VERSION.

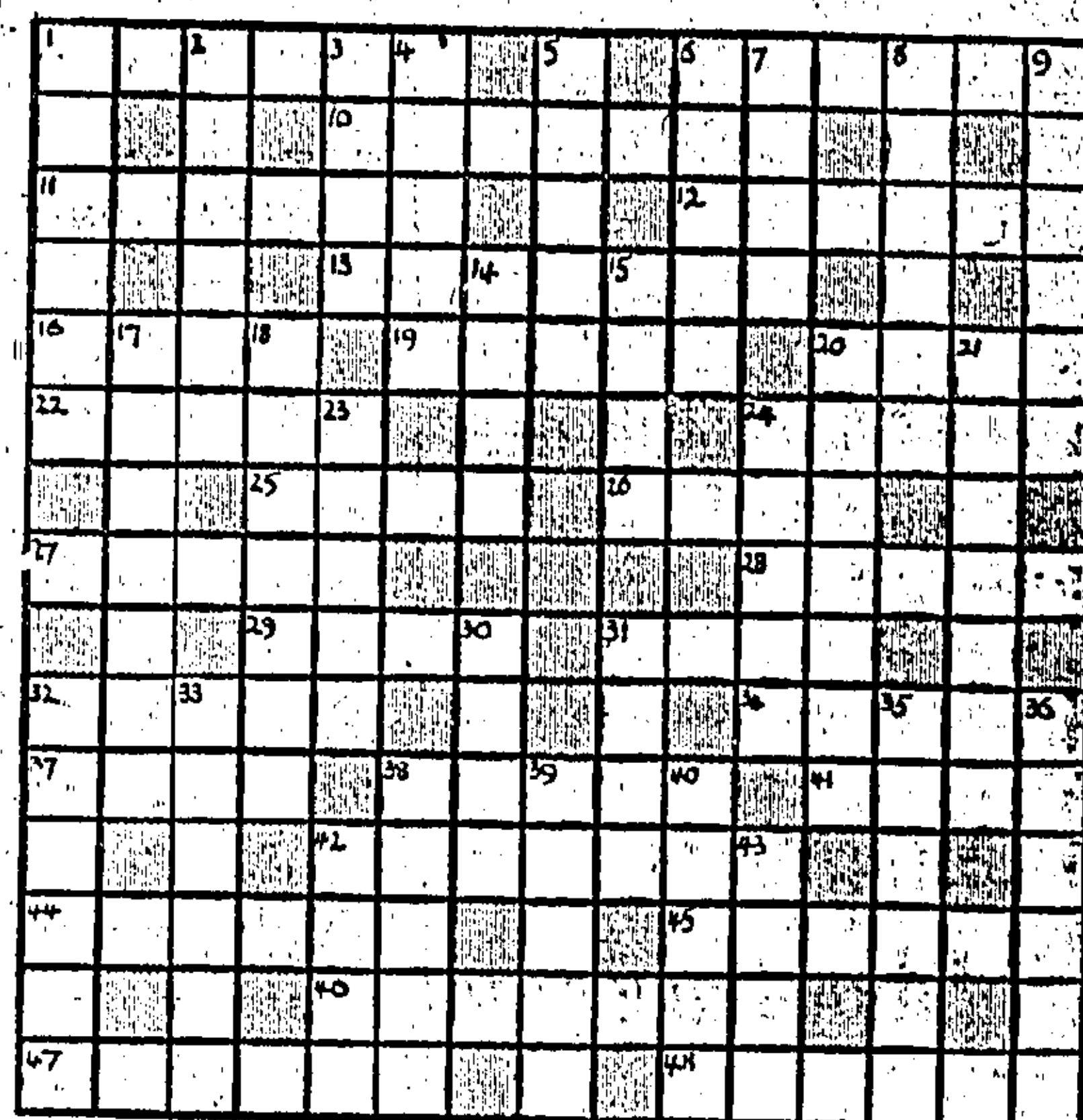
The case was continued yesterday, before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Police Court, in which Lo Chi-ching, a schoolboy, is charged with the manslaughter of Ho Kwong-hoi, during a scuffle on Christmas night in the rooms of the South China Athletic Association, in China Building.

Describing from the witness-box the events of the night in question, accused yesterday said he recalled having stroked, in playful manner, the deceased's cheek, and that the latter apparently resented this and tried to shove him away with his feet. "I then caught hold of his right wrist while bending my body to avoid his foot, and asked him why he was so angry. He jumped from the sofa on to his feet and hit me in the chest with his left fist. Whereupon I slapped him with my right hand, on the lower part of his left cheek. I did this because I thought it was unreasonable of him to have become so angry with what was only a joke, and also because if I had not slapped him he would have hit me again. It was not a very forceful slap, and I did not hear him make any comment."

Witness went on to say that while he was talking with another boy, Lo Man-pun, who had previously appeared as a witness against him, came in, and before passing on into the Committee Room, pulled his hair. Witness regarded this hair-pulling as a joke.

That night witness went to sleep in the home of his maternal grandmother. It was at this house that the police called the next day with

## OUR CROSSWORD PUZZLE.



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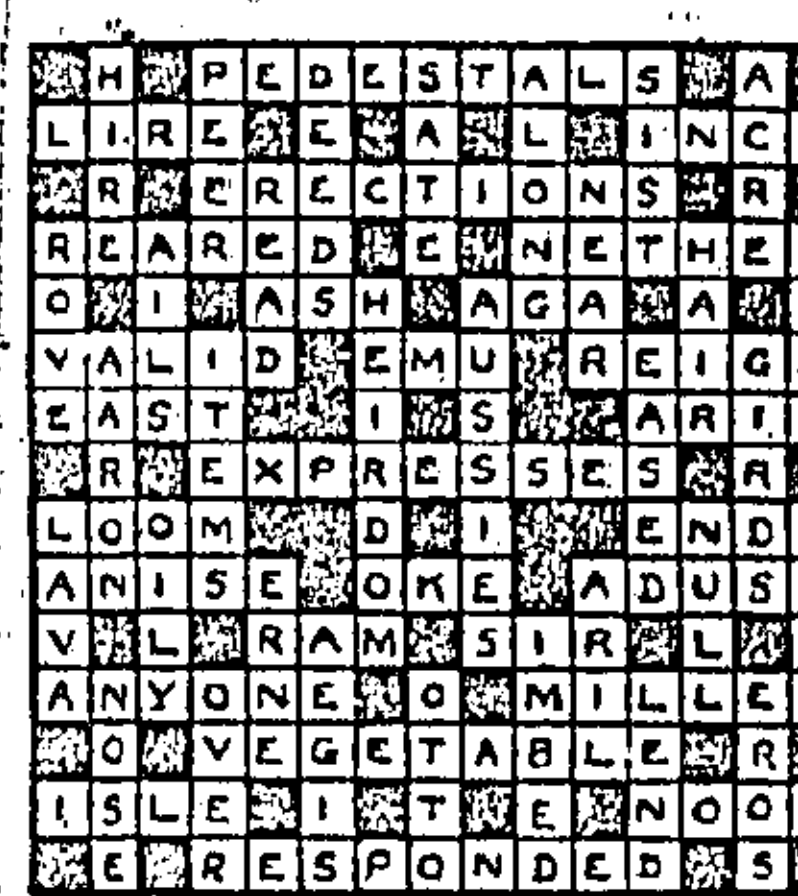
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- 6 Derived from citrons.
- 10 Aperture of the nose.
- 11 Performing.
- 12 Covers for hands.
- 13 American Indians.
- 16 Organs of hearing.
- 19 Supernumerary.
- 20 Queen's name.
- 22 Fear.
- 24 Guide.
- 25 Valley.
- 26 Allowance for waste.
- 27 Crowds.
- 28 Eases.
- 29 Added to.
- 31 Humble.
- 32 Measures of capacity for herrings (Scott).
- 34 Wastes time.
- 37 Egyptian deity.
- 38 Rub out.
- 41 Father.
- 42 Kind of shoes.
- 44 Tendrils.
- 45 Excavator.
- 46 Desired.
- 47 Tattered.
- 48 Erected.

## Down.

- 1 Wandered.
- 2 Universe.
- 3 Hotels.
- 4 Chief magistrates of Venice.
- 5 Macerate.
- 6 Roll of tobacco.
- 7 Wrongs.
- 8 Gully.
- 9 Hawker.

- 14 Invalid.
- 15 Hundred.
- 17 That which remains unpaid (plur).
- 18 Makes sorrowful.
- 20 Waits on.
- 21 Not one of two.
- 23 Writing tables.
- 24 Caravanary.
- 26 Mend a rent.
- 31 Table-land rising abruptly.
- 32 Remnant of a fire.
- 33 Helping.
- 35 Dawdle.
- 36 Withered.
- 38 Rested.
- 39 Worship.
- 40 Tree.
- 42 Growth on the eye-lid.
- 45 Border.

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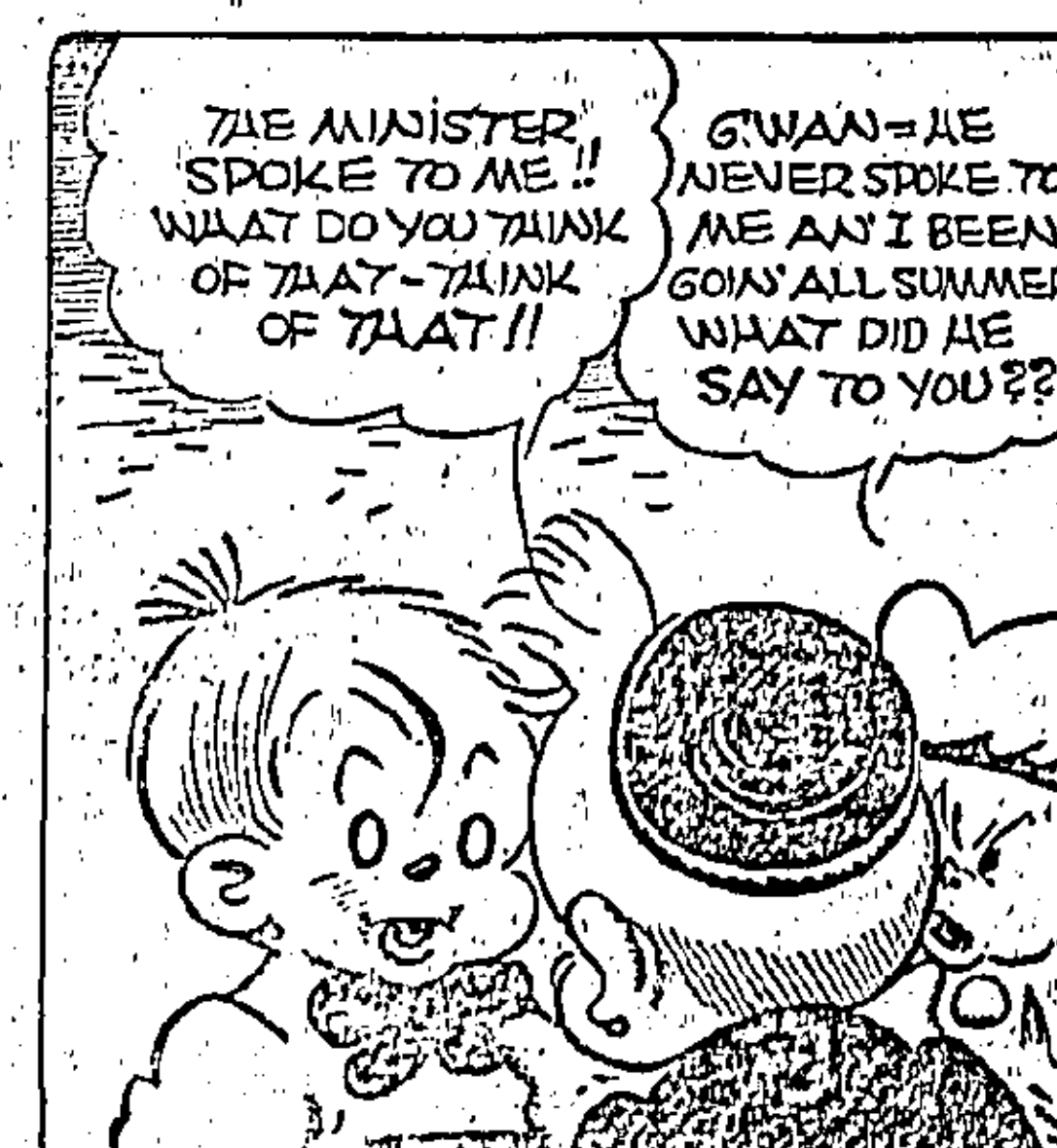
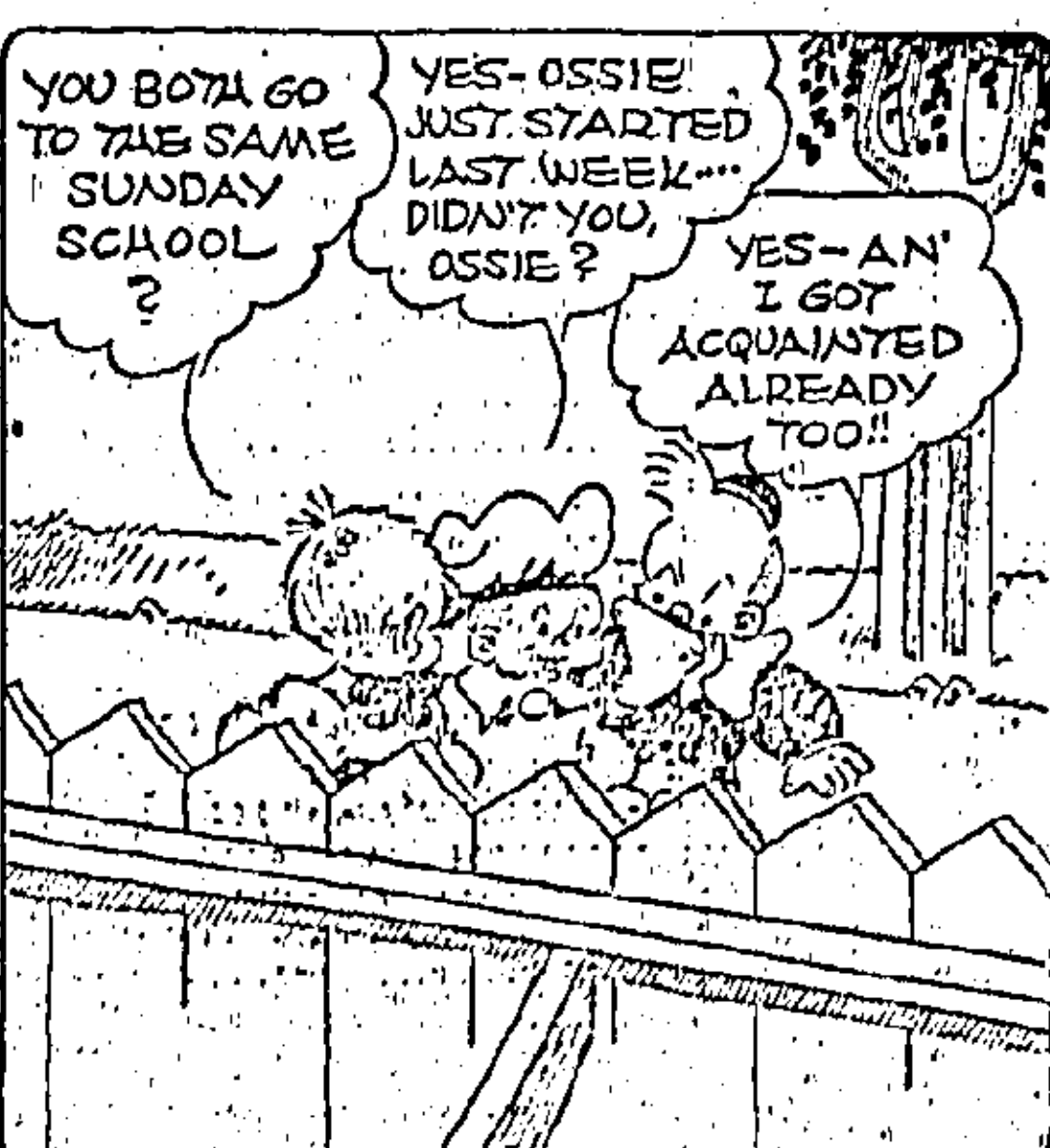
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DEATH.

GUBBAY.—On 19th January, suddenly in London, David A. Gubbay, Director of David Sassoon & Co., Ltd.

The  
Hongkong Telegraph.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 1928.

ARBITRATION.

The British Government is early in the field with its views on the task which lies before the Security Sub-Committee of the Preparatory Committee on Disarmament. No one can have read the Memorandum, of which an extensive summary was published yesterday, without coming to the conclusion that the suggestions put forward are marked both by common-sense and sincerity. The whole question of arbitration treaties is thoroughly explored, their weaknesses analysed, and concrete proposals made for the conclusion of future agreements between States disposed to enter into undertakings of this character. One of the chief aspects of the problem is that, as the Memorandum puts it, arbitration treaties have no sanction behind them but the force of public opinion in the world at large, and as the time is hardly ripe for arranging a general system of sanctions, the view is submitted that more progress is likely to be made through bilateral treaties than by the conclusion of general agreements. This contention reflects a practical manner of viewing the difficulties of the situation.

Being a sound supporter of the League of Nations, it was only to be expected that the British Government would direct attention to the facilities which this organisation offers in the realm of international amity. In this connexion the Memorandum does well to lay stress on the value of the Locarno Treaty and to point to the good results which would accrue were the example set by this type of agreement to be more largely followed. The Locarno Pact has this value—that it deals in a concrete manner with a concrete issue. Any general system of guarantees, spread over a much larger number of States, could not prove nearly so efficacious, for reasons which the British Memorandum cogently sets out. Yet it is noted with regret that no further treaties on this model have been registered with the League, nor have any States accepted the offer of the League Council to place its offices at the disposal of States desirous of concluding suitable agreements likely to establish confidence and security. This reluctance cannot but be deplored, as

there can be no doubt, when we consider its past achievements, that the League can do much in this regard for the promotion of international goodwill.

The spread of the arbitration system, especially on the basis of local guarantees directed to a specific danger, can be most fruitful in removing many of the causes of war, and in the League of Nations there exists the machinery by which every facility can be afforded States who are really sincere in their desire to see world peace preserved. The Hague Tribunal and the League Council are worthy bodies for the carrying out of work in this connexion, and the British Government does well to stress that point. The League would, of course, gain much in prestige and influence if the United States could only rid itself of needless fears concerning possible future entanglements and enter fully into the great peace movement which the League represents. We still live in hope of seeing that day arrive, and would like to think that the British Memorandum now issued may be a factor in hastening its dawn.

Russian Banishments.

When we come to consider the recent Moscow developments, Russian politics appear absurdly simple. What easier method of overcoming dissension in the ranks than by sending the delinquent to Astrakhan, or Archangel way, to cool his head? It is surprising to find, however, that Trotsky, who as one of the original founders of the Communist constitution, should have known that no provision in the Executive for an Opposition to the Executive in power, has so far forgotten himself as to conspire against the Soviet to the extent of commissioning "maliciously false" information to other countries. That at least is the official accusation, and Trotsky is only one amongst many. Other Russian extremists, with notoriety as their chief claim to fame, such as Zinovieff, Rakovsky, Radek, Kamenoff and Sapronoff are included among the thirty or forty "Oppositionists" now taking a holiday in the country at the request of the Government, though we are told that Zinovieff and Kamenoff have said a few words in season, and while not allowed to breathe the air of Moscow, will be easy of recall if Stalin feels so inclined. The drastic measures do not, we are afraid, herald an improvement in the Russian international outlook. They represent nothing more than a quarrel between factions, of little significance to the world at large. If the split were attributable to the rising power of a really Moderate group, considerable satisfaction could be discovered, but at present, nothing suggests that Russia will cease her activities outside the range of her borders, and it seems therefore that the importance of the banishments increases in value as our sense of humour diminishes.

OBITUARY.

DEATH OF MR. DAVID H. GUBBAY.

News was received by cable, by Messrs. David Sassoon and Co., Ltd., this morning, of the death in London yesterday of Mr. David H. Gubbay, a director of the firm. The late Mr. Gubbay lived in Hongkong for some years, acting as manager of the firm of David Sassoon and Co. He was made a Director of the Hongkong Bank in 1897, and was also a Director of other local companies. He was a grandson of Mr. David Sassoon, the founder of the firm, and married Miss Ezra, sister of Sir David Ezra of Calcutta. Mr. Gubbay is survived by his wife, for whom much sympathy will be felt.

EXCHANGE RATES.

|                  | London, Jan. 19. |
|------------------|------------------|
| Paris            | 124              |
| Brussels         | 34.98            |
| Amsterdam        | 12.08 1/2        |
| Berlin           | 20.45            |
| Copenhagen       | 18.20            |
| Vienna           | 34.62 1/2        |
| Helsingfors      | 193 1/2          |
| Lisbon           | 2.25/64          |
| Bucharest        | 700              |
| Buenos Aires     | 47.13/16         |
| Shanghai         | 2/7              |
| Yokohama         | 1.11/15/32       |
| New York         | 4.87/29/32       |
| Genoa            | 25.31            |
| Milan            | 92.15            |
| Stockholm        | 18.14 1/2        |
| Oslo             | 18.31 1/2        |
| Prague           | 164 1/2          |
| Madrid           | 23.57 1/2        |
| Athens           | 5.29/32          |
| Rio              | 1.04/1/16        |
| Bombay           | 2/0              |
| Hongkong         | 25.1/16          |
| Silver (spot)    | 25.1/16          |
| Silver (forward) | 25.1/16          |

—British Wireless.

DAY BY DAY.

IDEALS ARE SOMETHING WE SHOULD LIKE TO REAP IN OTHERS, BUT FAIL TO SOW IN OURSELVES.—W. Stewart Royston.

The *Telegraph* will publish as usual to-morrow, but, on account of the Chinese New Year holidays, its next subsequent appearance will be on Tuesday.

A British case of typhoid fever was notified yesterday.

Mr. Perrett has been appointed Chief Officer of s.s. San Nam Hoi, vice Mr. Conway, deceased.

The B. I. s.s. Takada, which left Singapore on the 13th instant, is now due here to-morrow morning.

We have received from Messrs. Thorsen and Company some striking Chinese calendars issued by the China Siam Line, bearing an effective coloured study of a Chinese girl.

The Harbour Office will be entirely closed on Monday next. The Entries and Clearance Office will be open on Tuesday, from 10 a.m. to noon, and the Junk Office from 11 a.m. to noon.

The China Light and Power Co. (1918), Ltd., advertise that owing to alterations in the Generating Station, the supply of electricity will not be available between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Monday, January 23.

Two men who were arrested in connexion with an armed robbery committed at a hut in Leung Sha To village, Kowloon City, on January 17th, were formally charged before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's this morning and remanded for one week.

This morning's harbour office reports gave 19 arrivals and 10 departures, with British holding top place under both headings. 75 vessels in harbour, British 27. Tenage was high, with good cargoes, British vessels registering two of the four heaviest returns.

Cinema-goers should note that the movie programme in the Star Theatre ends at 8.30 to-night, and to-morrow night, the "Globe Trotters" presenting their revue "Incidents" at 9.15. The chief picture in the movie programme is "The Gay Deceiver," with Lew Cody in the title role.

We are informed that the late Mr. Hugh Conway, the Chief Officer of the s.s. San Nam Hoi, who met his death during the attempted piracy of that vessel, was insured with the Union Insurance Society of Canton, and not the Canton Insurance office, as stated yesterday.

Two Chinese were sent to the Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from injuries as a result of being knocked down by motor lorry No. 1817. The vehicle was carrying a long pole which protruded from the rear and the accident occurred when the lorry was turning into Queen's Road West from Eastern Street.

The following vessels are expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong to-day—D'Artagnan, Kanakura Maru, Kancho, Khyber, Haining, Hangsang, Sinkiang, Vogland, Kusang, Atsuta Maru, Kochow, Aki Maru, Pres. Cleveland, Pres. Lincoln, Saarbrücken, Mishima Maru, Tjisalak, Shantung, New Chang and Taikwa Maru.

The late Mrs. Sema Bellies, of King Edward Hotel, Hongkong, formerly of Calcutta, left property in England valued at £943. She gave 1,000 rupees to the Margan David Synagogue, Calcutta, and 25,000 rupees to the Talmud-Torah (Teaching Houses) for housing, clothing, and educating poor Jewish children in Victoria, Hongkong. The residue of the property goes for the poor and needy and infirm.

The case in which a Chinese constable is being charged with larceny of an electric torch, was commenced before Mr. W. Schofield this morning when formal evidence of ownership was taken, after which the case was adjourned. It is alleged that the defendant took the torch from a Chinese whom he had searched on the Shamshui Ferry Wharf prior to the man's departure to the country.

Arrested in Hungghom with a dagger in his possession, an elderly Chinese was this morning fined \$50 with the alternative of one month's hard labour, by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistrate's. The defendant claimed that he had found the weapon, the police intimating that they had no reason to doubt the man's statement, as he was "half silly" and might not have realised the seriousness of picking up such dangerous implements.

THE LATE DR. LOVETT CUMMING.

IMPORTANT WORK IN TROPICAL DISEASES.

In its obituary notice of the late Dr. H. Lovett Cumming, of Shanghai, the *N. C. Daily News* says the deceased studied at Edinburgh University from 1897 to 1902, and before that time had attended the Technical College at Glasgow for a year. In 1903 he became house physician and pathologist at the Prince of Wales Hospital in London and this was followed by the same post in the Royal Hospital for Disease of the Chest in London, and by the post of resident medical officer in the City Hospital for Infectious Diseases. He received his M.D. in 1905, and did general practice in southwest London until coming to the Far East in 1910. For the five years subsequent to that time he was medical officer to various groups of rubber estates in Johore and Malaya, and in 1915, he became a lieutenant in the Royal Army Medical Corps, with duties as resident officer at Fulham Military Hospital in London.

His important work in tropical diseases gained for him the Duncan and Lalaca Medals, and degrees were received by him in tropical medicine and public health from Cambridge University in 1917. For a time, also, he was medical examiner for the Chelsea Medical Board.

In 1918 he came to Hongkong and joined the firm of Harston, Marriott & Black, with whom he remained for a year, following which he came to Shanghai to engage in general practice.

Dr. Cumming took an active part in all the Scottish activities of the community, and served for four years on the committee of St. Andrew's Society. He was Master of St. Andrew's Lodge in the Far East and one of the most enthusiastic members of the Masonic order.

Whether viewed from a personal or professional aspect, Dr. Cumming's death arouses great regret in the community which had come to know him as an eminently likeable man and able physician.

The Funeral.

The funeral of the late Dr. Lovett Cumming took place last Sunday at Bubbling Well Cemetery, the Rev. Borst-Smith presiding in the chapel and at the graveside. The chief mourner was Mrs. Lovett Cumming.

A Masonic funeral, in addition to the usual religious rites, conducted under the auspices of the District Grand Lodge of Scottish Free Masonry in North China, was observed. The lodge was opened in the Masonic Hall at 3.30 p.m., and the concluding ceremonies were performed in the Bubbling Well Chapel. A large number of Masonic brethren from the Lodge St. Andrews of the Far East 493 S.C., the Cosmopolitan 428 S.C., and Saltoun 936 S.C., attended in full Masonic regalia, and at the grave conducted the Masonic committal service. The District Grand Chaplain, the Rev. Darroch, recited the ritual, both in the chapel and at the grave. The following Past Masters and the Master acted as pall-bearers:—Messrs. A. P. Sutherland, F. Penfold, J. Watson, A. G. Heron, W. Gardener, and J. W. Barger.

OPIUM OZZES FROM SHOE.

HOW A SMUGGLER WAS CAUGHT.

How a smuggler of illicit opium failed in an attempt which he made yesterday to run the gauntlet of the Revenue Officers was related before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistrate's, this morning.

With one tin of Wuchow opium concealed in each shoe, the man stepped ashore at the Chiu On Wharf, but at the critical moment one of the tins broke, and the sticky contents oozed out and stained his bare foot. This fact was noticed by a Revenue man, who pounced on the smuggler and took him to the Police Station.

The man was fined \$250, or three months' hard labour.

OBSERVATORY PREDICTS SOME RAIN.

To-day's Observatory report states that the anticyclone is now central over the Yellow Sea. Fresh to strong monsoon may be expected along the south-east coast of China and over the North China Sea.

The forecast up to noon to-morrow is:—East winds, fresh; generally cloudy, some rain.

The Very Idea!

A man who had been dining staggered from his club, and for some few yards succeeded, like a tight-rope walker, in keeping to the narrow confines of the pavement.

At that moment a fire engine passed him at a gallop. The fire caught the helpless man's gaze, and, making a supreme effort, he rose to his legs and gave chase.

Needless to say, despite all his efforts, he could not reach the cheery blaze, and finally, after pursuing the rapidly disappearing fire engine, he collapsed again, and was heard to murmur, "Well, keep your beastly fish and chips!"

While a very recent fire was in progress in a suburb of Brisbane, and the flames were destroying goods upon which a livelihood depended, the late occupier of the premises and his wife stood outside, watching sorrowfully the destruction of their home. Practically penniless—for all their prospects had been centred in the fire-swept shop—they were not in a mood to view with equanimity a suggestion made by a neighbour, who evidently believed in the adage of "making hay while the sun shines." Approaching the worried couple, she said: "I do hope you don't mind me asking this now, but don't forget that I've a little unfurnished flat to let at the top of the street, and the terms will be only—"

Wife at Tottenham: My husband says things in his dreams that he had no right to say.

Solicitor at Shorelitch: Is this neighbour of yours a widow? Woman: No, she only wishes she was.

Hackney woman of her lodger: Her longest dress is her night-dress.

Woman at Willesden: I want a summons against a woman who has summoned me, and I think we should reverse.

Magistrate at Tottenham: You have no right to hit your wife in the eye. Husband: It was the natural outcome of a quarrel.

Soldier at Colchester accused of stealing eggs from a restaurant: The eggs came into camp with us last night. Owner: They are quite ordinary eggs, your Worship.

Mr. Justice Hill in the Divorce Court: Fortunately I am able to forget cases as soon as I have heard them. If I could not I would be a very unhappy man.

Sam—"I always pretend to be asleep in a tramcar, and then, of course, I can't be expected to get up and give a lady my seat."

Ned—"Well, I tried that, and the lady looked down at me and said to a friend, 'Isn't it awful that such a young chap should be such a heavy drinker?' Then I had to get up and prove I was sober."

If women had taken a pride in having big feet instead of small, Mr. John F. Baird, the brilliant young Scottish inventor, might never have produced his famous television apparatus. He made this interesting confession recently when he revealed that shortly after the war he set up in business in Glasgow to sell a patent undersock he had invented. It was worn under the ordinary sock or stocking, and kept the feet warm and dry in all temperatures. But ill health and the hostility of the fashionable sex handicapped him, so he went off to Trinidad to start a jam factory. This was not a success, so he came back to Britain to perfect the television idea which had haunted him from boyhood. Mr. Baird was brought up at Helensburgh, on the Clyde coast. One of his first ventures was to instal a telephone exchange in his father's house to which his friends were connected. Another was a tri-car, which nearly killed him.

Sandy strolled into the dentist's operating room looking decidedly ill and uncomfortable.

"Ah'm wantin' my teeth out," he said, as he slid down into the dentist's chair, and opened his mouth.

"But I can't see a tooth in your mouth!" exclaimed the dentist.

"No, I ken that," replied Sandy. "Ah've swallowed them!"

I believe prosperity is returning to home industries.—Mr. D. Hackling, M.P.

I have never seen a member of the House of Lords looking miserable.—Mr. J. D. Cassels.

If agriculture is a very sick patient, it is not from the want of doctors.—Mr. Walter Guinness.

Private luxury and amusement of a kind undreamed of before the war have become part of the daily life of the country.—Sir Arthur Dorman.



**SHANGHAI LABOUR UNREST.****INTIMIDATORS FINED FOR COERCION.****UNION'S ORDERS.**

A number of intimidators made their appearance in the Shanghai Provisional Court last week, charged with coercing and inciting workers to refrain from carrying out their lawful occupations. Five men were brought up by Det. Sgt. Omand, who stated that they approached the owner of a sauce shop at 156 East Kowloon Road and demanded that he should shut his doors. They also took away from him a number of liquid measures, which they damaged.

Accused all denied the charge but they were found guilty. Two of the ringleaders were fined \$20, or 20 days, each, and the other three were fined \$10 apiece. The Court ordered the confiscation of the measures.

Two members of the Piece Goods Shop Assistants' Union were charged with using violence at 10.15 a.m. on January 12 to intimidate the employees of a piece goods shop at 473 Chekiang Road into joining the strike.

**Workers Persuaded.** Mr. E. T. Maitland, Prosecuting Solicitor, stated that six men entered complainant's shop but only the two accused were arrested. The police had been informed that accused had used violence to force complainant to close his shop but now the latter denied that violence was used. Accused, however, were successful in getting the men to join in the strike.

Complainant deposed that no violence whatever was used; accused and the other men had approached him with a peaceful request to send a delegate to a meeting.

This statement was corroborated by the two accused, but Mr. Maitland ridiculed the suggestion and said that there had been evidence of violence; if accused wanted complainant to send a delegate to a meeting, surely there was no need for half a dozen of them to go to the shop. One man could have done so quite as effectively and in a peaceful manner, without attracting attention. Violence must have been used.

The charge was dismissed and accused were cautioned.

**The General Labour Union.** Three other sauce shop assistants were up before Judge Chau and Mr. J. van den Berg, charged with committing an offence against public order, viz., that they entered and invited a shopkeeper at 827 Chaoufong Road to refrain from following his lawful occupation.

C. P. C. 2051 stated that, at 2 p.m. on Sunday, he saw a crowd in Chaoufong Road, in front of a sauce shop. Upon approaching, he was informed that accused were delegates of the General Labour Union and that they were trying to get complainant to shut his shop.

The first accused stated that he had been instructed by the General Labour Union to tell complainant to close his shop, since all sauce shops were on strike. The second said that he only told complainant to attend a meeting at the General Labour Union. The third deposed that he told complainant to close his shop and await instructions from the General Labour Union.

The complainant recalled, said that complainant had informed him that accused had ordered him to close his shop under instructions from the General Labour Union.

The first accused stated that all other sauce shops were closed, complainant's being an exception. The hearing was adjourned, the Court holding that this case was of sufficient importance for the Shanghai Municipal Council to have a representative in Court other than the Chinese constable.

**ALLEGED ROBBERY ON JUNK.****SEVERAL CHARGES WITHDRAWN AT SESSIONS.**

The case in which three prisoners are being tried in connexion with an attempted robbery on board a passenger junk in Tolo Channel, near Tai Po, was resumed before the Puisse Judge, Mr. Justice Wood, at the Criminal Sessions this morning. There were various counts of robbery, assault with intent to rob, common assault, and possession of arms. Mr. Somerset Fitzroy is prosecuting for the Crown.

This morning Mr. Fitzroy said that in view of the nature of the evidence yesterday, when the case commenced, he wished to withdraw all charges with the exception of possession of arms.

His Lordship agreed to this course. Witnesses were called who spoke of the prisoners producing revolvers. They identified the prisoners.

The case is continuing.

**MANSLAUGHTER CASE.****STRONG PLEA FOR ACQUITTAL.****COURT DECISION TO-MORROW**

The hearing of evidence in the case in which Lo Chi-hing, a student, is charged with the manslaughter of another student named Ho Kwong-hoi on the night of December 25th, at the premises of the South China Athletic Club in China Building, was brought to a close this morning, when two more witnesses spoke of the scuffle which took place.

Mr. L. D. Turner appeared for the defendant and Mr. E. S. C. Brooks watched the proceedings on behalf of the family of the deceased. Inspector Lane prosecuted.

Both witnesses called this morning stated that the blow which was alleged to have had fatal effects was a gentle slap on the left cheek.

Addressing his Worship at the conclusion of the evidence, Mr. Turner said he felt that the defendant ought to be discharged as not only the witnesses for the defence, but also those for the prosecution were unanimous that the blow was a "slap." He said that only one witness claimed that the blow was delivered with the closed fist, but that that witness "died himself up hopelessly" during the latter part of his evidence.

**Worthless Evidence.**

Referring to the evidence of Inspector Lane, Mr. Turner said it was worthless, as by the time it reached the Court it was full of errors. The evidence of So Chi-chung, who testified yesterday, put the coup de grace on the prosecution's case, as also did that of a small boy who had no interest or motive in giving evidence one way or the other.

Mr. Turner also pointed out that the affair was so trivial at the time that nobody took any notice of it. The Club people did not talk about it and it was not until the unfortunate consequence of the fight was known that people began to reconstruct what happened between the deceased and the defendant. The witnesses had been relating in Court what had happened a month earlier and all of them, but one, were agreed that the defendant gave a "deceased" slap. It was true that the witnesses differed as to the intensity of the slap, but Mr. Turner added that nobody could reproduce the intensity of a blow which was delivered a month ago.

**Recent Case Recalled.**

Mr. Turner recalled the case tried in the Supreme Court recently in which a boy from Kowloon City was charged with manslaughter. The evidence in that case showed that the defendant was fighting with a knife when a friend came along. As a result of some folly, the defendant tripped and fell, and the defendant, tripping over the deceased, accidentally stabbed him with a knife. The Judge, in summing up, indicated that he expected the jury to return a verdict of manslaughter, but the jury, after considering the evidence, brought in a verdict of "Not guilty."

In view of the case cited, Mr. Turner contended that it was inconceivable that any jury would return any but a verdict of "Not guilty" on the evidence in the present case.

Mr. Lindell—Having now the whole of the evidence before me, I should like some little time for consideration of this case. I find it certainly a most difficult case, and I agree with you on this point, that even if a Judge directed a jury that there was evidence to justify a verdict of manslaughter, it is most unlikely that the jury would bring in such a verdict. That is my feeling in the matter. What the exact result of that feeling is, I would desire time for consideration.

**The Medical Evidence.**

Mr. Turner pointed out that, in view of his Worship's decision, he would like to add that the defendant was entitled to the benefit of any doubt, if any doubt existed in his Worship's mind. There was the possibility that the scuffle had nothing to do with the death of the deceased, and he reminded his Worship that death might have been the result of a fall. Mr. Turner said the evidence of Dr. Anderson, who, although called by the defence, must be taken into consideration, was at least as impartial as that of Dr. Cannon.

Mr. Brooks then asked leave to address his Worship, but permission was not granted.

Mr. Lindell indicated that in view of the near approach of the Chinese New Year, he was prepared to give his decision to-morrow at 12.30 a.m.

**FAMOUS BANKER'S OPTIMISM.****SUBSTANTIAL REVIVAL OF BRITISH TRADE.****BARCLAYS' MEETING.**

London, Jan. 19. Mr. Frederick C. Goodenough, presiding at the annual general meeting of Barclay's Bank, Ltd., said that both industry and trade in this country were showing indications of a substantial revival at the present moment.

Although, he continued, there had been similar signs of improvement at various intervals during the last few years which had proved, however, to be only temporary, yet on each successive revival, the duration had been somewhat extended, and it was only cut short in 1926 by the coal dispute and by labour difficulties.

Except for the fact that competition and the rules of supply and demand must necessarily affect future values, the continuous process of the stabilisation of world currencies and world prices which was taking place, afforded the reasonable expectation that the trade improvement which this country was now experiencing might be more permanent.

The recent recovery in the ship-building industry seemed to point the way to improved conditions in many other directions.

There were also signs, he concluded, of growing understanding on the part of capital and labour that their interests were mutual. A gradual recovery from the upheaval and exhaustion of the war was clearly taking place.—*British Wireless.*

**OUR FOOTBALL COMPETITION.****FOUR SHARE LAST WEEK'S PRIZE.**

There was another large entry last week for our Football Competition, but no competitor succeeded in giving the correct forecasts for the twelve matches played. There were four correct forecasts of 10, thirty-four giving nine, and twenty-three with eight correct.

The following are the names of the four winning competitors amongst whom the prize will be divided:

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Mr. R. J. Reed,  
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Mr. Luiz Cruz,  
4, Pillkett Street.

Mr. F. Bacon,  
East Block,  
Queen's Road.

If the winners will call at our office, we shall be pleased to hand them \$6.25 each.

**THEFT OF PONGEE SILK.****OLD MAN AND WOMAN SENTENCED.**

Two Chinese, an old man and a woman, were charged on remand, before Major C. Willson this morning, with being concerned in the theft of a roll of pongee silk from the Popular Silk Store.

A sales girl from the shop stated that there was a third Chinese, a younger man dressed in a long coat, who came into the shop at 9.30 on Tuesday night with the two defendants. They examined no fewer than 18 rolls of silk and were heard to remark that all were excellent, but appeared to have some difficulty in making a choice. Finally, the man in the long gown was urged by his companions to "take it." The sales girl had become thoroughly frightened by this time, and it was not until the long-coated man had run out of the shop that she found her voice and raised the alarm.

The male defendant was sentenced to three months' hard labour, and the woman to six weeks.

**NORTHERN WAR.****WU PEI-FU PROMISED PLENTIFUL SUPPORT.**

Peking, Jan. 19. According to reports from Chinese sources Wu Pei-fu has left Szechuan for Ningkiang. These reports state that all the troops in North Szechuan and South Shensi are ready to support him.—*Reuter.*

**TO-DAY.**

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**FENG OUTLINES POLICY.****FRIENDLY BUT FIRM ATTITUDE.****TAKES RAP AT DIE-HARDS.**

General Feng Yu-hsiang, who is now emerging as possibly the strongest factor in the Nationalist cause, according to private telegrams received in Shanghai from Chengchow, Honan, where his headquarters are established, in a long statement made to his subordinates on China's foreign relations, declared that China will protect foreigners but will oppose any foreign aggression. "We have come to the parting of the ways and we are determined from now on to stand no more encroachment on our sovereignty," he stated.

He claims that the Changtsehsu area in North Honan has been entirely cleared of Northern troops and that he has captured Changyuan, Kaichow and Chingfeng in South Chihli. General Fang Chen-yuan, with reinforcements from Hankow, has arrived at Hsiangyang-chow. All Christians are in safety in the district and Communist plotting in Chongshan has been suppressed, a telegram from Feng's headquarters states.

**Talks To Subordinates.**

In the course of his conversation with his subordinates, General Feng had the following to say about China's foreign relations:

The aim of the Nationalist revolution is twofold: internally to alleviate the people's sufferings and to advance their well-being; externally to obtain for China freedom and equality among the nations. It has never been our purpose to dominate other nations or races, nor do we tolerate domination by them. The evil of imperialism lies in the exploitation of the weak by the strong. Should the Powers or their political parties in power take advantage of our temporary weakness to reinforce the unequal status of sinoforeign relations, it is our supreme duty to resist.

Hitherto, in her relations with foreign countries, China has been in the habit of giving in to every aggressive act of the Powers. As a result, her national integrity has been very much impaired. We have come to the parting of the ways. We are determined from now on to stand no more encroachment on our sovereignty.

**China's Hands Tied.**

International relations are carried on for mutual benefit. Inasmuch as consular jurisdiction and tariff restrictions have seriously jeopardized our national existence, we are not in a position to accord foreigners absolute freedom of travel and trade in the interior until such time as judicial and tariff autonomy has been restored to China.

At present, as is expected, there are foreigners in China who are still believers of the superiority complex, but there are also those who are polite to, and entertain respect for, our people. The antipathy to the former should not withhold us from befriending the latter. Some of them are perfectly willing to relinquish their special privileges and submit themselves to Chinese laws, through their Governments, others in wilful ignorance of the real purpose and increasing strength of the Nationalist movements are still standing pat against any readjustment in their relations with China. The distinction must always be made between foreigners who are diehard imperialists and those who are sympathetic to our national aspirations.

**To Overthrow Militarists.**

The first requisite for the recovery of our rights therefore, is the overthrow of the militarists. Some of the Powers are under the illusion that the militarists would be able to unite China under their iron heels. But the days of these bandit leaders are numbered and the Powers could readily see that they can no longer be utilized in imperialistic ends, as any illegal privileges wrested through the hands of the militarists would under no circumstances be recognized by the Nationalist Government.

The Kuomintang and the Nationalist Army should make known to the world through words and deeds that they will stand no unfair and unequal treatment from other countries, while at the same time they rely depend on us to play fair to them. We have a civilization of five thousand years and it devolves upon us to shed lustre to it. We want to see the early realization of international amity and racial equality, and we must first of all restore our sovereign rights. We must be just in dealing with foreigners, never for a moment losing sight of the fact that we are people of a great nation. If foreigners are mistaken in their view as to our conditions in China we should correct them, if they are unreasonable.

**BOXER INDEMNITY FUNDS.****ALLEGED MISUSE BY SOVIET AMBASSADOR.****UNIVERSITY PROTEST.**

Shanghai, Jan. 15. Acting upon reports from educational circles and newspapers in Peking to the effect that the Soviet Ambassador in Peking has been supplying Chang Tso-lin with huge sums of money out of the Russian Boxer Indemnity fund for military and political expenditure, the National University Union has dispatched a telegram of protest to the Soviet Commissar for Foreign Affairs at Leningrad, at the same time forwarding the protests to both the Peking Diplomatic Corps and the Shanghai Consular Body for their perusal.

A translation of the telegram reads: "Lately, we have received reports from educational circles and the press in Peking to the effect that the Soviet Ambassador there has been wilfully supplying Chang Tso-lin with several millions of dollars out of the Russian Boxer Indemnity Fund for his military and political expenses. According to the Sino-Russian Agreement signed by the joint Commission in charge of the Refund Russian Boxer Indemnity Fund, the entire sum of the indemnity together with the interest is solely for the purpose of education throughout China and other cultural advancements and not for any other use. This is a solemn pledge between the two countries and is known to the whole world.

The fact that Chang Tso-lin has been able to establish himself in Peking is a matter of national deploration. But for the Soviet Ambassador, under the pretension of financing the maintenance of the Peking universities, to appropriate huge sums of money out of this fund to help Chang Tso-lin's personal military and political atrocities, is wilfully to prolong China's internal chaos in flagrant violation of the agreement referred to above.

"Therefore, the National University Union, on behalf of all colleges and universities in China, hereby lodges its most emphatic protest with the Soviet Government, and requests that you will immediately instruct the Peking Soviet Ambassador to discontinue such supplies.—*Kuo Min.*"

**HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?****TO-DAY'S QUESTIONS.**

The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the *Daily Express*.

Answers, for those who need them, will be found on Page 12 of this issue.

- 1 Which is the largest ocean?
- 2 How is it that regular trade routes have been developed?
- 3 Who was John Lackland? What was his most notable act?
- 4 In which famous works do the following characters appear: George Osborn, Arcturion, Mr. Collins, Meg Merrilies, Perdita, Topsy?
- 5 State, with dates, what was the lasting result of each of the following battles: Hastings; Naseby; Plenny.
- 6 When were school boards first elected, and what was their duty?
- 7 What is the difference between a butterfly and a moth?
- 8 May a tenant at the end of his tenancy remove fixtures installed by him?
- 9 What is a reredos?
- 10 Is "license" a noun or a verb?
- 11 What is meant by the Bank rate?
- 12 Where is there an insect "pre-serve" in England?

Among the passengers arriving yesterday on the S.S. Empress of Canada were: Mrs. R. M. Austin, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hall, Mr. J. Arnold, Dr. G. W. Leavell, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Botelho, Mrs. A. Gibbison, Mr. E. D. Bush and Colonel W. F. L. Gordon.

able we should resist them, and if they are sympathetic towards us we should extend our welcome to them. We must distinguish between black and white and must not give occasion for ridicule.

**Due Protection.**

With reference to our foreign policy, such as the abrogation of the unequal treaties, it is for the Nationalist Government to formulate. But as far as our army is concerned, due protection will be given to the life and property of all foreigners in the territory where our troops are stationed. Our responsibility is heavy, so our actions must be discreet and well-considered. We must not give ourselves over to sentimentality and temporary passion. But, of course, if any foreign nation should still stick to its imperialistic policy we would not hesitate to oppose it to the end.

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## TO-MORROW'S FIXTURE LIST.

[By "Wanderer".]

Only three Senior League matches are down for decision in the Hongkong Football League to-morrow, consequent upon the departure for Shanghai of the Interport team. The same situation will prevail next week-end, the Chinese Athletic, Kowloon, and Club de Recreio being the clubs principally disengaged.

The only match of real interest to-morrow is that between the Queen's Royal Regiment and the R.A.F.

The Junior Division "A" matches are in accordance with the fixture list, while re-arrangements are made for the "B" Section. The fixture list, together with ground, times of kick-off and referees appointed, is as follows:

## Senior Division.

K.O.S.B. v. R.A.—Sookunpo, 4 p.m.—Mr. Baldwin.

Queen's v. R.A.F.—Chatham Road, 4 p.m.—Mr. Smith.

Club v. South China—Club, 4 p.m.—Mr. Hyson.

## Junior Division "A".

Recreio v. R.A.—Recreio, 2.30.—Mr. Phillips.

Club v. K.O.S.B.—Sookunpo, 2.30.—Mr. Presley.

S. China "A" v. S. China "B"—Kowloon, 2.30.—Mr. Stokes.

University v. St. Joseph's—S. China, 2.30.—Mr. Lamb.

Chinese Ath. v. Kowloon—Club, 2.30.—Mr. Mackie.

## Junior Division "B".

S. China "B" v. Kowloon—S. China, 4 p.m.—Mr. Samy.

S. China "A" v. Kowloon—St. Joseph's, 2.30.—Mr. Cowan.

Chinese "A" v. Moslems—St. Joseph's, 4 p.m.—Mr. Omar.

## A Good Game Probable.

As the Rev. Alexander has not turned out for the K.O.S.B. with regularity he will not be missed from the side to any appreciable extent, and there should be a capital game at Sookunpo to-morrow in the return match with the Royal Artillery. The previous match was keenly contested and the R.A. were unfortunate to lose by the odd goal of five. It would not be surprising to see the positions reversed on this occasion.

The Queen's managed to defeat the R.A.F. by two clear goals earlier in the season, and it seems likely that they will repeat their success. After a sudden revival just before Christmas, the R.A.F. have fallen away to some extent of late and are by no means as formidable a combination. A good game is certain, with the odds slightly in favour of the visitors.

On the Club ground, where South China are the visitors, a keen, if not particularly brilliant, game is likely. The Club have registered a victory over their visitors, but it is by no means certain that they can do it again.

The Junior Games.

The junior matches have nothing striking to offer. The closest game is likely to be that between the Chinese Athletic and Kowloon Reserves. The Athletic, who were in the running, and may yet be, for the runners-up position in the "A" Section, have a defeat at Kowloon to wipe out. The Recreio are likely to lose to the R.A., the K.O.S.B. are a certainty on paper, while the South China "B" team and St. Joseph's should also be on the winning side.

The Junior "B" Section is playing off postponed fixtures.

## SIM SHIELD.

NAVY TEAM TO MEET THE  
ARMY.

The Royal Naval Officers' Hockey team to meet the Army in the Sim Shield on Monday at 4.30 p.m. on the R. N. O. sports ground is as follows:

Lieut-Comdr. T. Bell, Lieut-Comdr. Brown, Surg. Lieut. Phillips, Sub-Lieut. Collins, Flight-Lieut. R.A.F. Hope, Surg. Lieut. Strong, Lieut. MacKendrick, Lieut. Collett, Lieut. Cecil, Lieut. Atkinson and Lieut. Comdr. Graham.

## INTERPORT GOLF.

MANILA SENDING STRONG  
TEAM.

The Manila all-star golf team will leave this city for the 1923 interport matches to be staged over the Royal Hongkong Golf Club course on the President Lincoln, says the Manila Bulletin.

Six men will make the trip and they represent the very cream of Manila's golfing world. "Bob" Mason, 1927 open champion, will be team captain, while Captain Kendall J. Fielder, departmental champion, Captain I. J. Yates, of Cavite, Lieutenant Joseph Cranston, E. J. Nell and George Ivory, will be on the sailing list.

Play this year will be three-cornered with Hongkong, Manila and Shanghai participating. The Manila team will arrive in Hongkong on January 23, and two days have been allotted them to practice. The tournament will last four days and the local team will return to Manila about February 2.

## LADIES' GOLF.

RESULTS OF TWO RECENT  
COMPETITIONS.

A tombstone competition will be held on the New Course, Fanling, on Tuesday, 21st January. For a prize kindly presented by Mrs. R. L. Bridger. Full handicap will be allowed.

The Railway Cup has been won by Miss C. B. Russell, who defeated Mrs. Whyte-Smith in the final round by 2 and 1.

On Tuesday last, a one-day medal competition was held on the New Course at Fanling for a prize kindly presented by Mrs. Allan Cameron. The winner was Mrs. W. Armstrong.

## F. A. CUP RE-PLAY.

SUNDERLAND'S EXCELLENT  
PERFORMANCE.

London, Jan. 19.

At Northampton to-day in the cup-re-play, Sunderland defeated Northampton by three goals to nil, and qualified to meet Manchester City in the next round on January 25th.—*Reuter*.

The performance was excellent in view of the fact that Northampton were able to force a draw of 2-2 at Sunderland on Saturday, while in only one home match this season had they been defeated.

Sunderland are at home to Manchester City in the next round.

## CRICKET.

UNIVERSITY TEAM FOR  
HOLIDAY MATCH.

The following will represent the University 2nd XI against the Royal Navy and R. E. & S. 2nd XI at Pokfulam on Saturday and Monday, the 21st and 23rd January, at 2 p.m., respectively: F. Hopton (Capt.), W. M. Gittins, M. B. Osman, B. N. Sultan, K. T. Loke, A. B. Suliman, A. Chan Fook, S. R. Kermani, S. F. Chen, A. Lee and H. T. Barma.

## Hongkong C.C. Teams.

The following will represent the Hongkong C.C. 1st eleven against the United Services to-morrow at 2 p.m. on the Club ground: T. E. Pearce, A. W. Hayward, D. W. Leach, G. E. Sayer, H. V. Parker, E. E. Reed, J. R. Hinton, A. Reid, M. D. Scott, E. W. Hamilton, O. Moor.

Hongkong C.C. 2nd XI to meet the Chinese R.C. at Causeway Bay to-morrow at 2 p.m. will be: W. K. Tait, H. J. Armstrong, P. Syme, Thompson, R. W. Lee, H. Griffin, R. M. Chaloner, J. F. Robinson, J. E. Hancock, H. J. Love, J. N. Owen, W. B. Cornaby.

## FOOTBALL.

TAKOO CLUB v. TAKOO  
CHINESE CLUB.

A football match will be played between the Takoo Club and the Takoo Chinese Club on the Hongkong F.C. ground on Chinese New Year day, Monday, kick-off at 3.30 p.m. Mrs. K. E. Greig, wife of the Takoo Dock manager, has kindly consented to kick-off, and a collection will be taken at half-time in aid of the M.O.L. Both teams are fielding strong sides, and a good game is assured. Mr. C. W. E. Bishop, Captain of the H.K.F.C., will referee.

OUR FOOTBALL  
COMPETITION.

PRIZE OF \$50 WEEKLY.

The "Hongkong Telegraph" offers a prize of \$50 to the readers who send in twelve correct forecasts of the results of the English League and Scottish Cup matches (to be played on Saturday next, January 21st) set out in the Coupon below. No goal scores are required; only forecasts showing wins or draws.

In the event of no reader forecasting all twelve matches, a prize of \$25 will be given to the reader who sends in the greatest number of correct forecasts; and in the event of two or more readers sending in an equal high number, the prize of \$25 will be divided. The competition is in accordance with the rules published in the Telegraph during the weeks August 29—September 24.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH"  
FORECAST COMPETITION.

Matches to be played on January 21st:—

## SCOTTISH CUP.

## FIRST ROUND.

Dumbarton v. Hamilton.  
Arthurlie v. Queen's Park.  
Ayr U. v. Bo'ness.  
Clydebank v. Dunfermline.  
East Fife v. Dundee U.  
Raith Rvs. v. Aberdeen.

## ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Birmingham v. Everton.  
Preston v. West Ham.  
Arsenal v. Aston Villa.  
Hull City v. Port Vale.  
Notts Forest v. Leeds U.  
Exeter v. Northampton.

Name .....

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Strike out the teams which you think will lose, but make no marks in respect of matches which you think will be drawn.

All claims must reach this office not later than Wednesday following the date on which the matches are played. No prize will be awarded for which a claim has not been made.

Before sending in your coupons, mark your forecasts on the duplicate list given below. Keep your duplicate lists and compare them later with the published results of the matches; and if you find that you have eight or more correct send in a claim for the prize.

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Birmingham v. Everton.  
Preston v. West Ham.  
Arsenal v. Aston Villa.  
Hull City v. Port Vale.  
Notts Forest v. Northampton.  
Exeter v. Northampton.

## BILLIARD MATCH.

Y.M.C.A. DEFEATS THE  
R.A.O.C.

A billiard match between the European Y.M.C.A. and the R.A.O.C. was played on the former's tables on Wednesday, the Y.M.C.A. winning by 243 points. After the match the visitors were entertained to supper. Scoring was as follows:

| Y.M.C.A. | R.A.O.C. |         |
|----------|----------|---------|
| Leach    | 150      | Thomson |
| Taylor   | 150      | Bryant  |
| Cowherd  | 150      | Burger  |
| Evans    | 150      | Roberts |
| Rowman   | 138      | Lake    |
| Hillier  | 131      | Bendall |
|          | 869      |         |
|          | 626      |         |

Geneva, Dec. 22.

The future League of Nations Palace here is a little nearer realisation. The committee of five, of which Sir Hilton Young is a member, appointed to select a plan from among the nine prize-winning designs, has decided to accept the plan of Messrs. Nenot, Geneva. They are asked to revise it in collaboration with an Italian, a Hungarian, and another French architect. The Council must approve before work on the new building is commenced.

SHANGHAI HEALTH  
PROPAGANDA.PREDISPOSING CAUSES OF  
PNEUMONIA.

With what amounts to a prevalence of ailments resembling influenza noticeable at the present time, it is of general interest to note that deaths from actual influenza have not occurred in Shanghai since last May, says the N. C. Daily News, the conditions generally described by patients as influenza not being in reality attributable to that disease.

On the other hand public health records show a considerable number of cases of lobar pneumonia, which always ranks high on the list, and which in 1922 accounted for 10 per cent. of the deaths among resident foreigners in Shanghai.

Health authorities do not feel, however, that any sort of influenza or pneumonial epidemic looms at the present time as is shown in the fact that neither pneumonia nor influenza have been put on the "notifiable diseases" list.

When a Shanghai citizen begins to feel a catarrhal condition in the head, followed by elevation of temperature and general discomfort, he is advised by the authorities to see a doctor immediately in order to check development of a pulmonary nature. Sharp variations in temperature are given as a predisposing cause for the prevalence of colds at the present, and a sound piece of advice is to prevent at all costs getting the body chilled, as a chill lowers resistance should one of the bacilli attack. Likewise, over-fatigue is a predisposing cause as are ill-ventilated houses or stuffy rooms and theatres.

To follow in general the rules of health for keeping the body fit, notably of eating ample, simple diet, taking plenty of exercise, drinking water throughout the day, wearing loose, light but warm clothing and sleeping in well-ventilated rooms with plenty of bed-covering over one, is the best way to prevent acquiring a Shanghai cold which can lead to pneumonial conditions once resistance is lowered.

DRAMATIC FILM AT  
QUEEN'S.DON'T MISS "THE 13TH  
JUROR."

For dramatic power and real acting, we have seldom seen a better film than "The Thirteenth Juror," now showing as the main attraction at the Queen's Theatre.

The picture is based on the play, "The Witness for the Defence," and it is a triumph of good production. From start to the very end, the attention of the audience is gripped, and those who do not know the story will be left wondering, to the last few moments, as to how it will work out.

Francis X. Bushman plays the lead and makes a great success of it. Opposite him is Anna Q. Nilsson, who also scores heavily, whilst the other parts are very ably filled.

Aside from the big picture, there is an extremely funny Metro comedy, "The Way of All Panto," and a news reel which gives a vivid impression of the recent floods in the United States. A bumper programme, at ordinary prices.

## HORNELL CUP RACE.

HONGKONG ELECTRIC CREW  
WINS FAST RACE.

The race for the Hornell Cup under the auspices of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club was rowed off yesterday, three crews entering in the competition, these being, the Hongkong Electric Company, Butterfield and Swire, and the Asiatic Petroleum Company.

The course was over the distance of a mile and conditions were exceptionally favourable, a strong tide running with the boats from East to West.

Mr. E. B. C. Hornell, the donor of the cup together with Dr. W. Minett were the joint umpires of the race.

Mr. H. Dryer was the starter.

The event evoked keen interest and quite a number of launches followed the race. The start was excellent, the boats beginning at absolutely the same moment and Mr. Dryer is to be congratulated on getting the competitors off so well.

The Electric Company who were on the Kowloon side rowing a steady stroke varying from 20 to 23 seconds, established a slight lead which they maintained until the finish, passing the winning line two lengths ahead of the A.P.C. boat.

The latter boat struck a slow 24 to 25 and although they were not badly beaten, they never at any time looked threatening.

Rowing steadily the Takoo boat held the Electric Company's crew for a long time but towards the end Takoo lost ground and the Electric Company were allowed a slight lead which they kept until the finish, passing the winning line two lengths ahead of Takoo, who were again two lengths ahead of the A.P.C. The Electric Company thoroughly deserved their win.

## SHARE PRICES.

## TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.  
Hongkong Bank, \$1190 sa.  
Chartered Bank, \$214 b.  
Mercantile A. & B., \$321 n.  
P. and O. \$10 n.  
East Asia, \$73 b.

Insurance.  
Canton Ins., \$590 b.  
Union Ins., \$300 b.  
North China Ins., Tls. 143 n.  
Yangtze Ins., \$464 b.  
China Underwriters, \$2.40 s.  
China Fire, \$215 n.  
H. K. Fire Ins., \$680 b.

Shipping.  
Douglases, \$401 n.  
H. K. Steamboats, \$251 s.  
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Indo-Chinas, (Pref.) \$30 n.  
Shell Trans., \$8/- n.  
Union Waterboats, \$17.75 s.

Mining.  
Bonguets, \$21 n.  
Kailans, \$2/6 n.  
Lampkats, Tls. 181 b.  
Shai Exploration, Tls. 2.85 s.  
Raubas, \$4 b.  
Tronohs, 17/6 b.

Docks, etc.  
Kowloon Wharves, \$1291 n.  
Whampoa Docks, \$411 b.  
China Providents, \$4.70 sa.  
Hongkows, Tls. 163 b.  
New Engineering, Tls. 5 s.  
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 891 n.

Cottons.  
Two Cottons, Tls. \$7.15 s.  
Orientals, Tls. 1.85 b.  
Shai Cottons, Tls. 463 (old) b.

Lands, Hotels, etc.  
H. and S. Hotels, \$8.25 sa.  
H. K. Lands, \$631 b.  
Shai Lands, Tls. 127 b.  
Humphreys, \$141 b.  
Realties, \$7.30 n.  
Territorials, \$11 n.

Public Utilities.  
Tramways, \$24.75 b.  
Peak Trams, (old) \$14 s.  
Star Ferries, \$63 n.  
China Lights, (Comb.) \$14.60 b.  
H. K. Electric, \$661 b.  
Macao Electric, \$64 b.  
Telephones \$4 b.  
China Buses, Tls. 61 n.  
Singapore Tractions, 11/9 b.

Industrials.  
China Sugars, \$91 s.  
Malabons, \$271 n.  
Canton Teas, \$21 b.  
Cements (Comb.) \$8.10 s.  
Ropes (Old) \$61 b.  
United Asbestos \$10 s.

Stores &c.  
Dairy Farms, \$18 b.  
Watsons, \$11.40 b.  
Der A. Wink, \$6 s.  
Lane Crawford's, \$3.75 n.  
Macintosh, \$22 s.  
Sinceres, \$71 b.  
Wm. Powells, \$5 n.

Miscellaneous.  
Amusements, \$241 sa.  
Constructions, \$11 s.  
B'kage Ind. G. Broods, 56% n.  
H. K. G. Loan, 5% Prem.



Women who claim they're on a diet should remember that figures don't lie.

At the conclusion of the race, Mr. Hornell congratulated the winners. The cup and souvenirs will be presented at a later date.

Mr. Hornell, the donor of the cup, who has done so much for foster rowing in the Colony is unfortunately leaving the Colony in the near future for Shanghai. He will be greatly missed by all rowing and other members of the Yacht Club.

This is the second year in which the competition for this cup has been held. The winners last year were the A.P.C. and P.W.D. who rowed a tie.

The crews were—H. K. Electric, Smith (bow), Arnold (2), Pagett (3), Stopani Thomson (stroke), Northington (cox); A.P.C., May (bow), Lyon (2), Duncan (3), Jack (stroke), Young (cox); B. and S. (Middleton-Smith (bow); Carter (2), Moore (3), Crawford (stroke), Mackay (cox).



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## THE VOLUNTEERS.

### ORDERS FOR THE COMING WEEK.

No. 313 Hongkong Volunteer Defence Corps. Orders by Lieut-Colonel L. G. Bird, D.S.O., Commandant.

Hongkong, Jan. 20.  
1. Os. C. Units will instruct all N. C. Os to get chevrons of white tape according to rank sown on to their khaki shirts by the master tailor, forthwith.

2. The Commandant notices that the regulation khaki shirt is not always worn by all ranks of the Corps under the khaki jacket. Os. C. Units will give this matter their attention and ensure that all ranks are in possession of regulation shirts and impress on all that these are invariably to be worn on all parades.

3. Musketry, Sunday, 22nd January, 1928—Armoured Car Company, Infantry Company and Casuals will fire Part II Table T. at Stonecutters Range.

Range Officer: Lieut. J. Norrie. Owen, Launch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Dress: Uniform or mufti optional, but rifle, bayonet, pouches, braces and belt must be worn.

Arms will be drawn from Corps Headquarters on Friday, 20th January, between 9 a.m. and 12 noon, or 2 and 4 p.m., or 5 and 6 p.m. and on Saturday, 21st January, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m.

4. Holidays.  
Monday, 23rd and Tuesday, 24th January, 1928 will be observed as holidays; no parades will be held on those dates.

5. Casuals.  
A large number of all ranks have not yet fired Part II. Lists of names are posted on Corps notice boards. All such will make arrangements to fire by Sunday, 29th January, 1928 the last day on which Part II will be fired.

6. Camp Pay.  
The attention of all ranks is drawn to the fact that Camp Pay has been issued to Os. C. Units, and must be drawn and signed for before 20th January on which date undrawn pay reverts to Government.

7. Corps Signals.  
Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, 26th January, 1928 for Signal Instruction.

8. Engineer Company.  
Musketry Part II Table T. will be fired at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, 29th January, 1928. Range Officer: 2/Lieut. R. S. Logan.

9. Armoured Car Company.  
Musketry Part II Table T. See order No. 3.  
Car Section. There will be a formation run on Thursday, 25th January. Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. under 2/Lieut. A. C. Groves.

Machine Gunners. When they have passed all their machine gun tests and are otherwise efficient may apply through their Officer for driving lessons.

10. Infantry Company.  
Musketry Part II Table T. See order No. 3.

No. 1 Platoon.  
Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, 27th January, 1928 for Machine Gun Instruction. Dress: Mufti.

11. Scottish Company.  
All Platoons will parade at Platoon Headquarters on Thursday, 26th January, 1928 at 5.30 p.m. for Vickers Gun Instruction.

Musketry Part II Table T. will be fired on Sunday, 29th January, at Stonecutters Range.  
Range Officer: Captain K. S. Morrison.

12. Portuguese Company.

Parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, 20th January, 1928. Dress: Mufti. Belt, braces, bayonet, frog, rifle and bayonet. Arms and Squad Drill.

Next parade on Friday, 27th January, 1928.

13. Reserve Company.

The Machine Gun Class will be held at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 1st February, 1928. Dress: Mufti.

14. Machine Gun Competition.

Results of Machine Gun field firing Competition are given below:—

Unit. Total. Corps Average. Points awarded to marksman.

No. 1 Platoon ... 128 ... 23 ... 612 1st  
No. 2 Platoon ... 100 ... 25 ... 518 2nd

The Commandant congratulates all ranks of No. 1 Platoon on winning the field firing cup to be held for one year.

15. The following communication has been received from the General Staff, South China Command:—

"The General Officer Commanding wishes me to convey to you his congratulations on the efficiency of the Artillery Company under your Command. He was extremely pleased with the smart soldier-like turn out on Sunday the 15th instant, and also their gun drill and shooting."

"Will you please convey his congratulations to all ranks."

In conveying the congratulations of His Excellency the G.O.C. the Commandant wishes to express his high appreciation of the keenness of all ranks of the Artillery Company which has had such splendid results."

16. Marksmen.  
The undermentioned have qualified as marksmen and are entitled to wear the badges for one year:—

No. 1131 Pte. G. A. Ribeiro, No. 9 Platoon 97 points.

No. 713 Pte. A. Murdoch, Reserve Co. 93 points.

17. Strength.  
The following recruits are taken on the strength, and posted to Portuguese Company:—

No. 1291 Pte. M. A. Silva, dated 13. 1. 28.

No. 1292 Pte. P. T. Rozario dated 13. 1. 28.

No. 1293 Pte. J. D. Remedios dated 13. 1. 28.

1294 Pte. C. Ribeiro dated 13. 1. 28.

1295 Pte. E. A. Ribeiro dated 16. 1. 28.

18. Leave.  
The following are granted leave of absence from the Corps:—

No. 680 Pte. J. L. McKellar, No. 7 Platoon from 17. 1. 28. to 16. 1. 29.

No. 101 C.Q.M.S. T. Bolt, Engineer Co. from 24. 1. 28. to 23. 1. 29.

No. 621 Pte. T. J. Price, No. 1 Platoon from 20. 1. 28. to 19. 1. 29.

No. 64 Sergt. F. Cullen, A. C. Company from 12. 1. 28. to 11. 4. 28.

No. 1088 Pte. P. M. Xavier, No. 10 Platoon from 17. 1. 28. to 31. 1. 28.

No. 1128 Pte. C. F. Remedios, No. 9 Platoon from 17. 1. 28. to 31. 1. 28.

19. Resignation.  
No. 516 Pte. J. W. W. on, Artillery Company having completed three years' service and claimed his discharge, as from 14. 12. 27.

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The Rifle Range is available for Portuguese Company Rifle Club on Sunday, 29th January, 1928. Details to be issued later.

## AN ABSENT JUROR.

### LATE ATTENDANCE AT DEATH ENQUIRY.

When the names of jurors required to attend a death enquiry yesterday afternoon were called, Mr. A. M. Miller, Admiral Oriental Line, was found to be absent. The enquiry was into the circumstances surrounding the death of Driver C. W. Begley, R.A.S.C. which was held before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, sitting as coroner, and was timed to commence at a quarter past two.

After a jury of three from the five remaining jurors had been appointed, and a few minutes before the half hour, Mr. Miller appeared and in reply to the coroner said his jury summons was timed for half past two. He said he would not be positive as to the time and he had not brought the summons with him.

Mr. Lindsell said he would like Mr. Miller to bring his jury summons along at half past nine this morning.

Mr. Miller replied that he was leaving for Canton that night and would be away this morning.

Mr. Lindsell then requested Mr. Miller to bring it along at a quarter past four that afternoon.

## UNLAWFUL SOCIETY.

### 15 ARRESTED IN POLICE RAID.

As the result of a raid carried out by Detective Inspector Lane and a party of police at the third floor of No. 8 Victoria Street, 15 Chinese were arrested. At the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, before Major C. Willson, they were charged with being members of an unlawful Triad Society, possession of documents pertaining to it, and with assembling at night for an unlawful purpose.

Inspector Lane prosecuted. Mr. Gordon Leask defended the first defendant and Mr. D. McCallum the fifth.

In explaining the raid Inspector Lane said three iron bars were discovered, also documents and books. The place had every appearance of a meeting place.

After the taking of evidence Inspector Lane asked permission to withdraw the charge against the 15th defendant, a young boy, saying that members of such societies forced youths to join.

His Worship granted the application and adjourned the case until Wednesday next.

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| *KALYAN   | 9,144  | 7th Apr.               | Marseilles, L'don & A'werp  |
| MONGOLIA  | 16,504 | 14th Apr.              | Marseilles & London         |
| MOREA     | 10,953 | 28th Apr.              | Marseilles & London         |
| KASHGAR   | 9,005  | 12th May               | Marseilles & London         |
| MALWA     | 10,986 | 26th May               | Marseilles & London         |
| DEVANHA   | 8,155  | 9th June               | Marseilles & London         |
| MACEDONIA | 11,120 | 23rd June              | Marseilles & London         |

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| MACEDONIA  | 11,120 | 4th Feb.               | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| TANDA      | 6,656  | 7th Feb.               | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| KARMALA    | 9,128  | 11th Feb.              | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
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| MONGOLIA   | 16,504 | 17th Mar.              | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| MOREA      | 10,953 | 30th Mar.              | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| KASHGAR    | 9,005  | 13th Apr.              | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| MALWA      | 10,986 | 27th Apr.              | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| DEVANHA    | 8,155  | 11th May               | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |
| MACEDONIA  | 11,120 | 25th May               | Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama |

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**PRESS DEBATED.****INFLUENCE OF MODERN NEWSPAPERS.**

"That the modern Press has raised the standard of intelligence" was the motion debated at the European Y.M.C.A. last night before an interested audience. Good cases were built up by both parties, and members of the audience contributed interesting views. The chair was taken by Mr. P. S. Cassidy.

Mr. R. H. Hollis proposed the motion and said members of the public bought a newspaper which contained a mass of news and many good articles, and sat down to read, consider and discuss the material they found in the newspaper. That in itself was surely a standard of intelligence. Intelligence was the power to grasp things quickly. When people had no idea what was happening outside their own immediate circle there was no opportunity for them to get a fair and equitable grasp of events and to secure that basis of judgment without which intelligence was an impossibility.

He was not going to say that newspapers had taken the public out of the slough in which some authors had thrust them. A newspaper put before its readers the major happenings of both hemispheres. It had behind it an immense organisation—an organisation far greater than many people imagined. He would not mention the network of Reuters agencies providing news from every quarter of the globe and the highly specialised correspondents who put the fruits of their personal experience before the public at the expense of a single coin. By their work alone readers were able to appreciate different points of view, an extremely valuable power.

Mr. Hollis countered certain arguments of his opponents with regard to the "yellow" Press by saying that in a debate there was no value in going from the general to the particular.

**The Opposition.**

Opposing the motion the Rev. J. P. Murray opened his attack by saying that stressing the little effect of newspapers on the intelligence of the public was merely damning the Press with faint praise. The newspaper started as a news sheet and still was to some extent for it told to the farmer what price pigs were fetching in a near-by market and that Aston Villa had won in the Cup match.

But was information of this kind raising the standard of intelligence. If newspapers had kept to their original function they would have been of great service, but they had not done so. It had been said that the Press educated the public and made it think. Perhaps it did to a few—those surviving having such a high standard of intelligence that it required special nourishment. The average reader had to be puffed daily with a mass of semi-digestible information assimilated by little or no mental effort.

The speaker also mentioned political issues and said that views were biased according to the newspapers' party. By reading newspapers the average man became like a sheep, following the lead of the paper which also told him how to clothe and feed himself. Newspapers had dragged the mass of mankind down to one dead level. The Press, so far from raising the standard of intelligence had only been made possible by a rise in that standard.

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Mr. Walker gave instances of the eagerness of people to see the newspapers and in support of his argument mentioned cross-word puzzles. He said the Press was worthy of great credit for popularising such puzzles.

To some of the better informed there was probably nothing much to be learned from them, but in the majority of cases they were the means of enlarging the vocabulary of large numbers of people and giving them true idea of the meaning of words.

Press Under Fire.  
Seconding the opposition, Mr. P. Sands quoted Oscar Wilde who said that in days of old men had the rack and now they had the Press. Reasoning from cause to effect, it was found that the public demanded a Press as in the days of old they demanded a king with equally disastrous results. A Press was given them, the untimely child of money seeking politicians, and since the first news sheet was broadcast, people had been swamped in a sea of printer's ink.

Intelligence came before the Press and it gave rise to universal news. He thought that need was over estimated. Who wanted to know who was murdered at Tooting, Bee or what so-and-so wore at the Bicester Hunt? This morbid search for the irrelevant did not increase the stock of useful knowledge and anything which did not do so did not raise the

standard of intelligence. Asking what parts of a newspaper were read, Mr. Sands described the sporting page as a curious jargon of telegraphic sentences and figures, coupled with sets of names which looked like a page out of a medieval history book. A man may understand it, but it was not raising the standard of his intelligence. On another page he would find Britain's policy stated in any way he liked, according to the paper he patronised.

Referring to "journalism" Mr. Sands said words were churned out by weary reporters, words that were eaten by huge mechanical monsters of presses, and spewed out at the other end in the form of standardised expressions of the commercially minded owner. That, said the proposition, was tending to raise the standard of intelligence. The motion was carried.

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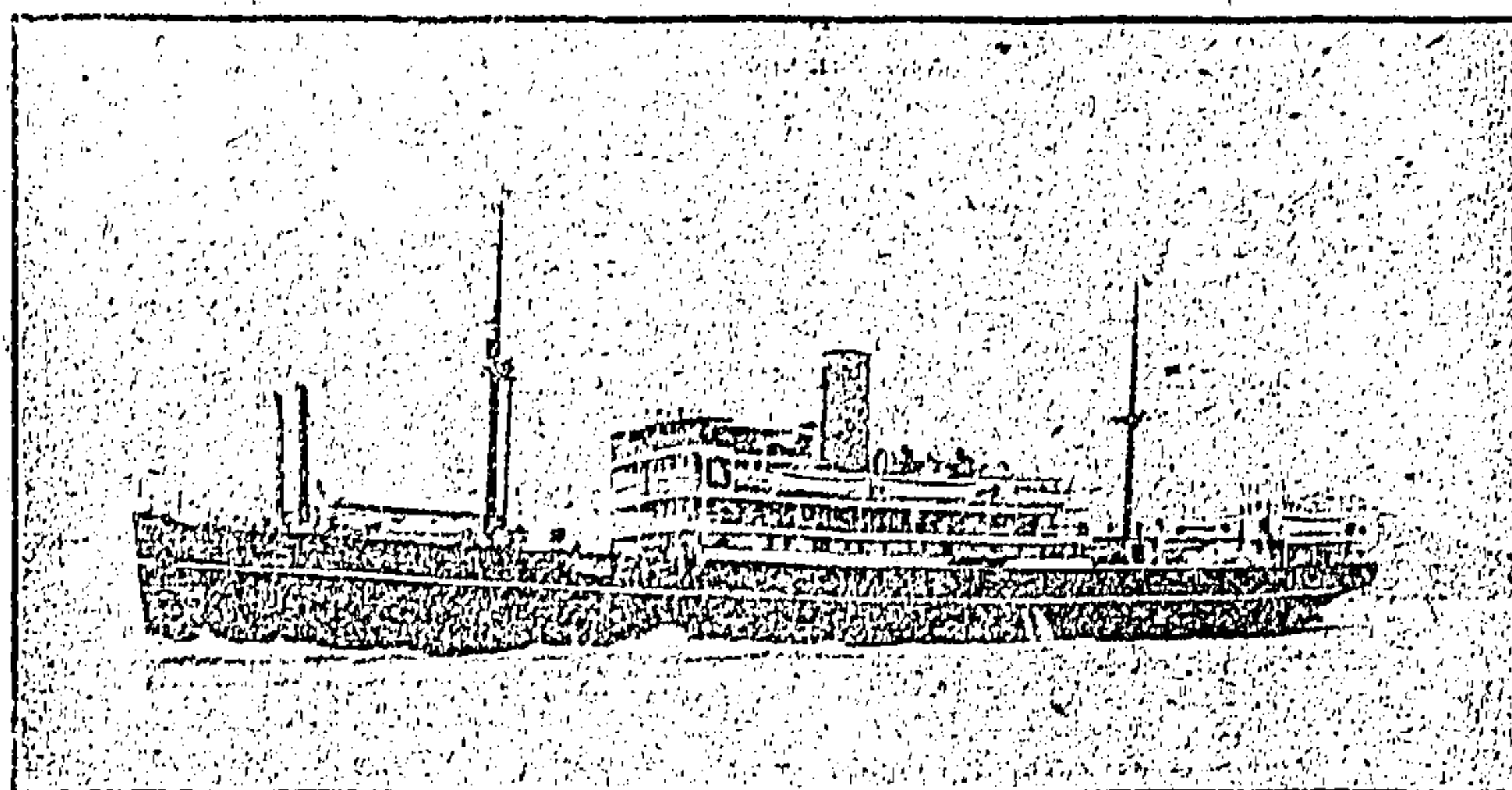
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